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**HIS EMINENCE, TIMOTHY MICHAEL CARDINAL DOLAN PRESENTS INNER-CITY SCHOLARSHIP FUND AWARD AT 36TH ANNUAL AWARD DINNER**

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**Dinner Raises Over \$1.2 million to Benefit New York City's Disadvantaged Youth**

December 4, 2012 (New York, NY) – Nearly 400 guests raised **\$1.2 million** at the **36<sup>th</sup> Annual Inner-City Scholarship Fund Award Dinner** on Monday, December 3, 2012 at the Mandarin Oriental in Manhattan. **His Eminence, Edward Cardinal Egan**, Archbishop Emeritus of the Archdiocese of New York, was the event's honoree. Inner-City Scholarship Fund (ICSF) is the city's leading non-profit organization dedicated to providing tuition assistance for low-income students attending ICSF-supported inner-city Catholic schools within the Archdiocese of New York.

His Eminence, Edward Cardinal Egan, was presented with the Inner-City Scholarship Fund Award by **His Eminence, Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan**, Archbishop of New York. Cardinal Egan was recognized for his dedication to Catholic education, the Catholic schools within the Archdiocese and their students.

“Cardinal Egan has long been a champion of Catholic schools,” said Susan George, Executive Director of ICSF. “His dedication has transcended his retirement and he continues to be a strong leader for our students and the community and we are happy to pay tribute to him tonight.”

*CBS Sunday Morning* correspondent and ICSF trustee, **Mo Rocca** served as the event's Master of Ceremonies. The evening's program showcased performances by the **Saint Raymond School Choir**; pianist **Amir Small**, a senior at Cardinal Spellman High School; and a **rousing** performance by **operatic tenor, Marcello Giordani**.

**About Inner-City Scholarship Fund**

Inner-City Scholarship Fund (ICSF) was founded in 1971 by the late Terence Cardinal Cooke and a group of prominent executives of many religious beliefs. ICSF provides tuition assistance to nearly 8,000 students (93% minority and 36% non-Catholic) in 93 inner-city Catholic schools in Manhattan, the Bronx and Staten Island. An astonishing 96% percent of graduates from ICSF supported schools pursue college at some of the finest universities in the nation.

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