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MICHELLE MASON OTREMBA CO-CHAIRS THIS YEAR'S GALA FOR THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF THE PALM BEACHES.

How did you get in involved in your charity? After relocating to South Florida from New York, I wanted to meet people, but also find a way to be involved in my community. My volunteerism in New York was geared toward my children's schools and the New York Preservation Society, along with many AIDS charities, through my work in the fashion industry.

Why did you get involved in this

charity? The mission of the Junior League of the Palm Beaches (jlpb.org) is committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through effective action and leadership. I believe in all of those touch points.

Why is it important for you to champion these causes?

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I grew up in suburban Detroit, and my parents always supported caring for and adopting abandoned pets, sharing our home with less fortunate friends, and raising money through our church and schools.

Why is Palm Beach a great community for your charity? Palm Beachers are eager to get involved, and, this year, at our inaugural gala Into the Wild, we will raise essential funds for our vital community programs that are focused on improving the lives of children in Palm Beach County.