## NAHC President Bill Dombi Accepts Award from Bayada

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On October 26, 2023, Bill Dombi, President of the National Association for Home Care & Hospice gratefully accepted the Lifetime Achievement Award from BAYADA Hearts for Home Care (H4HC), a nonprofit advocacy organization made up of thousands of home care recipients, their families and loved ones, and home care professionals. This is only the second time this award has been given – the first was awarded to Mark Baiada, Founder and former CEO of BAYADA Home Health Care, upon his retirement in 2018.

This award recognizes Bill's 40 years of dedication to ensuring that home care is top of mind for legislators and other decision makers in Washington, D.C. and across the United States. Bill has been involved in virtually all legislative and regulatory efforts affecting home care and hospice since 1975, including the expansion of the Medicare home health benefit in 1980, the formation of the hospice benefit in 1983, the institution of Medicare PPS for home health in 2000, and the national health care reform legislation in 2010. Additionally, Bill served as lead counsel in the landmark lawsuit that reformed the Medicare home health services benefit, lawsuits against Medicaid programs for inadequate payment rates, and current lawsuits challenging the Medicare home health face-to-face encounter rule and the Department of Labor changes to the overtime rules under the Fair Labor Standards Act.



L – R: Bayada Dave Totaro, Bill Dombi, BAYADA SVP, Managing Director Sue Moss

"There's no better example of commitment to advocacy and education in the home health care space than Bill Dombi," said David Totaro, Chief Government Affairs Officer, BAYADA Home Health Care. "It has been an honor to work alongside him. I know that advocates will remain inspired by his passion and commitment to the cause for years to come."

"I am enormously gratified to accept this award for Lifetime Achievement," said Bill, who had not been told he would be receiving an award. "I have devoted decades of my life to expanding access to care at home and advocating to policymakers for the interests of patients and providers. Bayada is such an important part of our community and a valued NAHC member and I am very grateful to be acknowledged by them in this way."