

STATE OF NEW YORK
STATE CAPITOL
ALBANY, NEW YORK 12224

August 16, 2010


The Honorable Arne Duncan
Secretary of Education
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202

Dear Secretary Duncan:

We the undersigned leaders of the New York State Legislature do hereby indicate our support for New York's application to the United States Department of Education to receive \$607,591,394 in funding under the United States Education Jobs Fund Program. We concur with the decision to distribute these funds to New York's school districts according to New York's primary funding formulae, helping to restore cuts to education and retain teachers. Furthermore, we certify that it is our intent to advance for consideration of the full Legislature any necessary legislation, including appropriation authority, in order to distribute these funds to New York's school districts.

We submit this letter of support with great appreciation for your partnership in support of education in New York, especially in these difficult times.

Sincerely,



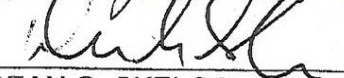
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