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The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo
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The New York State Capitol | Executive Chamber
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Dear Governor Cuomo,

Today, as you take your message to the people, presenting the "State of the State"—the people of Senate District 30 have a resounding message for you: Exercise your power as Chief Executive to ensure that the current small, local, longstanding minority-owned businesses at 121 West 125th Street—who believed and invested in our Harlem community when no one else would—are allowed to grow alongside the National Urban League in the proposed Land Use Improvement and Civic Project.

Attached hereto, you will find the clear voices of scores of Harlem residents urging you to do the right thing to ensure that a project that promises empowerment and revitalization does not sacrifice the lives and livelihood of the pioneers who painstakingly paved the way for it.

Given how important this project is to both of us—including the century-long affects it will have in the Harlem community—I continue to request that we have a formal meeting in the near future to discuss the matter further. Please have the appropriate member of your staff contact my Chief of Staff, Cordell Cleare at 212.222.7315 to formalize and finalize the details.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Perkins", written over a horizontal line.

Bill Perkins

State Senator | District 30