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Hon. Andrew Cuomo
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Hon. Dean Skelos
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Albany, New York 12247

Hon. Sheldon Silver
Room 932
Legislative Office Building
Albany, New York 12247

Dear Governor Cuomo, Senate Majority Leader Skelos, and Speaker Silver:

I am writing to inform you of a roundtable discussion I held in my district today. I had an excellent conversation with students, parents, teachers and administrators from across Western New York at the Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School in Cheektowaga.

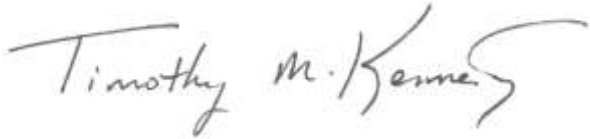
As part of this discussion, they vocalized their concerns regarding the current proposals in the state budget, and the drastic and devastating impacts that education cuts, as currently proposed, could have on our students and our education system.

As a result of these conversations, as well as countless others I have had over the past few months, it is my belief that we need to change the priorities that the current budget lays out. The budget, in its current form, provides a sizable tax cut to the wealthiest New Yorkers and at the same time hurts our students. The importance of a quality education for the next generation of New Yorkers cannot be understated. While I understand your positions, I do not believe damaging the future of Western New York's children so that we can give a tax break to millionaires, who live and work primarily on Wall Street, is the correct approach to alleviate our state's issues.

Below is not only my signature, but the signatures of those who were with me at this roundtable and support this position.

As you finalize the budget negotiations please take these concerns – the concerns of this group of hardworking Western New Yorkers – into perspective. As always, thank you for your consideration of this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Timothy M. Kennedy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial 'T' and a stylized 'K'.

Timothy M. Kennedy
New York State Senator, 58th District

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