



NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE

September 20, 2023

Honorable Andrea Stewart-Cousins
Room 907
Legislative Office Building
Albany, NY 12247

Dear Leader Stewart-Cousins:

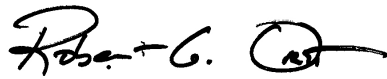
We write regarding our grave concerns over proposed tax increases. As you may have seen in recent media reports, members of your Conference have expressed their desire to increase taxes on already overburdened New Yorkers in an effort to deal with the ongoing migrant crisis.

We have seen our local resources drained and not only chaos, but danger unfolding. As this crisis grows, it is deeply offensive that we would force hardworking New Yorkers to foot the bill for the failures of Washington and Albany politicians — a bill that Mayor Adams has estimated will cost the State of New York \$12 billion to house and provide services to migrants over the next three years. Just this year, the Democratic majorities and Governor Hochul allocated \$1 billion of taxpayer funds to New York City to deal with the migrant crisis. New Yorkers have already been forced to shoulder this burden in an already tenuous economy.

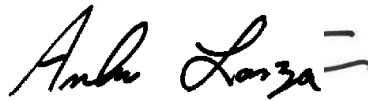
As members of the Senate Republican Conference, we have consistently stood with the taxpayers of New York State and we urge you to reject any effort to raise taxes.

Thank you for your attention to this critical matter. If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact us.

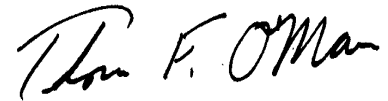
Sincerely,



Robert G. Ort
Senate Minority Leader
62nd District



Senator Andrew Lanza
24th District



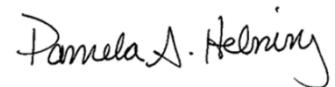
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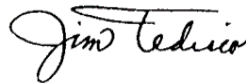
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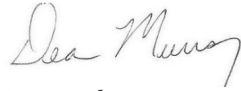
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