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Howard A. Zucker, M.D., J.D.
Commissioner, NYS Department of Health
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Dear Commissioner Zucker,

I urgently write to request that police officers, firefighters and EMS personnel are a higher priority for access to coronavirus testing given their front-line duties interacting with the public amid the pandemic.

Downstate New York is now the epicenter for this virus. Once again, our police officers, firemen and women, corrections officers, and emergency services workers are stepping up to protect our communities. During this crisis, we have to take care of them the way they are taking care of us.

As we work to dramatically expand capacity for more and faster testing, I simply ask that first responders be a prioritized group along with hospitalized patients and healthcare workers so that they can continue to do their work and keep our communities safe. I would appreciate your prompt attention to this critical issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Carlucci".

Senator David Carlucci
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