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Senator John L. Sampson Democratic Conference Leader 907 LOB Albany, NY 12247

Dear Senator Sampson:

As you may know, the week of March 14 to March 18, 2011 marks National Sunshine Week. Sunshine Week is a national initiative to promote a dialogue about the importance of open government and freedom of information. I am requesting your support in passing the legislation below through co-sponsorship, by moving the bills through the respective committees, and voting in support of these bills. The legislation is also attached for your review.

I have introduced the following sunshine bills this session:

- 1. S. 1049 Requires the public service commission to review at least once every three years, compensation paid to certain high level policy making employees of gas and/or electric corporations where such corporations have a gross annual income in excess of fifty million dollars. (Referred to Energy and Telecommunications 1/5/11)
- 2. S. 1080A Requires the creation of a database to track the issuance of contracts by public authorities and state agencies with minority and women-owned businesses. (Referred to Corporations, Authorities and Commissions 2/22/11)
- 3. S. 1092 Requires the secretary of state to publish local laws on the department of state website and as a supplement to the session laws. (Referred to Local Government 1/5/11)
- 4. S. 1116 Commissions a study regarding the quality of health care services received by foster children in New York state; provides for a report to be submitted by the commissioner of the office of children and family services detailing the findings of such study. (Referred to Children and Families 1/5/11)
- 5. S. 1122 Requires information made public by the state board of professional medical conduct and health information required to be made public by the department of health to be disseminated in both written and electronic form in the 8 languages that are most spoken in the state. (Referred to Health 1/5/11)
- 6. S. 1484 Directs the president of the state civil service commission to publish reports annually relating to diversity within state government. (Referred to Civil Service and Pensions 1/7/11)

- 7. S. 1730 Requires voter approval for the abolition or modification of term limits for certain elected offices; requires resolution of local legislative body followed by a voter referendum; sets procedures. (Referred to Elections 1/11/11)
- 8. S. 3393 Establishes additional procedures to be followed by industrial development agencies prior to making loans; includes goals to be achieved by project such as job creation, continuance of business or industry, and public purpose to be attained. (Referred to Local Government 2/18/11)

Again, I am requesting your support through co-sponsorship, moving the bills through your respective committees and voting in support of these bills.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact my Legislative Director, Ricja Rice, Esq. at (518) 455-2580.

Yours in Partnership

KEVIN S. PARKER

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Senator Maziarz – Chair of Energy and Telecommunications Committee

Senator Razenhofer - Chair of Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

Senator Perkins – Ranking Member of Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

Senator Martins - Chair of Local Government Committee

Senator Stewart-Cousins - Ranking Member of Local Government Committee Senator

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Senator Montgomery - Ranking Member of Children and Families Committee

Senator Hannon - Chair of Health Committee

Senator Duane - Ranking Member of Health Committee

Senator Golden - Chair of Civil Service Committee

Senator Krueger - Ranking Member Civil Service Committee

Senator O'Mara - Chair of Elections Committee

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