The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo Governor of New York State NYS State Capitol Building Albany, NY 12224

February 21, 2014

Dear Governor Cuomo:

We write to express our thanks to you for including comprehensive campaign finance reform in your budget proposals to the Legislature.

When the time comes to negotiate the many issues facing New York State with the Legislative Leaders, we urge you to use your powers to ensure that the critical elements of reform recommended by the Moreland Act Commission -- public financing, improved enforcement and regulations, lowered contribution limits and improved disclosure -- remain in the Budget. These elements will be most effective if all are implemented together.

There will likely be pressure in the days ahead to weaken the proposals you have made. We urge you to resist the pressure and fight to keep all of the elements referred to above in the final language of the Budget.

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The people of New York State deserve no less.

Sincerely,

Mary Lou Urban and Mary Jenkins, Co-Presidents