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The Honorable Sheldon Silver
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Speaker Silver:

We write to thank you for your continued strong leadership in support of comprehensive campaign finance reform. It is our hope that you will spearhead the effort to get campaign finance reform enacted into law this session.

With the new legislative session upon us and the budget in negotiation, we urge you to use your influence with the Governor and Senate Co-Majority Leaders Klein and Skelos 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. 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.

The people of New York State deserve no less.

Sincerely,

Mary Lou Urban and Mary Jenkins, Co-Presidents