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

Dear Governor Cuomo:

First, let me express my admiration for your leadership as the State of New York continues to battle COVID-19. Your straight forward, science-based briefings have helped inform the public and show compassion. New York has come through the storm with your steady hand on the ship of state. While your administration successfully worked to contain the spread of this virus in New York, you have helped share the lessons learned.

The City of Houston is now engaged in a fierce battle against this same virus, and I want to thank you for working with my staff to address our needs, share best practices, and provide resources. Houstonians greatly appreciate you helping to expand our testing sites in vulnerable communities and quickly turning around the lab results.

I want to specifically thank the New Yorkers here on the ground. The nurses and staff are giving of themselves, helping give Houstonians the same hope that pulled New York through this crisis. In our hour of need, the State of New York has come to our aid. Let me thank you, your staff, and the front-line providers for joining us in this battle to save lives.

I thank you, Governor, and hope to one day repay you and New York for helping us in this struggle.

Sincerely,

Sylvester Turner
Mayor

Many thanks!
