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

Dear Governor Andrew Cuomo,

In early June 2020, the New York State legislature passed a bill to repeal 50-a statute, which until that point had allowed law enforcement to shield police misconduct records from the public. On June 8, you signed the repeal of 50-a into law. Community Board 11 fully supports the decision to repeal 50-a and increase systemic accountability through transparency.

After over a decade of advocacy by Communities United for Police Reform and families impacted by police violence, records of misconduct and disciplinary actions of police officers, firefighters and correction officers will now be publicly disclosed. CB11 maintains that the repeal of 50-a was a crucial first step in rebuilding trust in law enforcement and addressing police violence in our communities.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact me at chair@cb11m.org.

Sincerely,

Nilsa Orama
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cc: Hon. Robert J. Rodriguez, New York State Assembly
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