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Hon. Richard Carranza, Chancellor
New York State Education Department
Board of Regents, Regents Office
State Education Building
89 Washington Avenue
Albany, N.Y. 12234

Dear Chancellor Carranza,

On Tuesday, September 22, 2020, Manhattan Community Board 11 voted to grant a letter of support for the charter renewal application of the Renaissance Charter High School for Innovation.

Since its opening in 2010, Innovation has served high school students and their families, from East Harlem and beyond, with a robust educational program, deep counseling support, and a commitment to college and career readiness.

Innovation's humanistic approach is exemplified by its inclusive approach to educating students with disabilities in a mainstream setting and its multiple special programs for its large at-risk student population. Notably, Innovation's strong relationship with East Harlem health and human services organizations helps its students and their families to access crucial services and supports, and makes Innovation a true community school.

Please join us in supporting Innovation's mission and empower our future leaders by providing a full charter renewal to the Renaissance Charter High School for Innovation.

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

Sincerely,

Nilsa Orama
Chair
Community Board 11

cc: T. Andrew Brown, Vice Chancellor, New York State Education Department, Board of Regents
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