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Schenectady City School District
Mr. Anibal Soler, Superintendent
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Subject Line: My Brother's Keeper Community

Dear Superintendent Soler,

Congratulations! It is with great excitement that we welcome Schenectady as a New York State Education Department recognized My Brother's Keeper (MBK) Community.

Under your leadership, the tireless work of your team, and the City of Schenectady, Schenectady has successfully completed the steps to becoming an MBK Community. By accepting the New York State My Brother's Keeper Community Challenge, Schenectady commits to taking the necessary actions to develop and execute programs and strategies designed to improve outcomes for boys and young men of color, and all youth and help them to realize their full potential.

As an NYSMBK Community, you join the MBK Community network of over 30 MBK communities across the state. You will gain additional technical assistance in the execution of your action plan, be able to participate in both state and national MBK convenings, and gain eligibility for programs such as the My Brother's Keeper Fellows Program which is designated exclusively for NYSMBK Communities.

Now that you are a NYS MBK Community, please register your community with the [MBK Alliance](#) via this link.

Please know that you have the full support of the New State Education Department. We look forward to continuing to work with Schenectady to change the narrative for boys and young men of color in your community.

Sincerely,

Dr. Anael Alston
Assistant Commissioner

Mrs. Kimberly Hardaway
Director of Family and
Community Engagement

cc: Commissioner Betty A. Rosa