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Peg Ellsworth  
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Dear Ms. Ellsworth:

Thank you for joining me as I signed legislation to combat the rise of heroin use in communities across the state. It was great to have you with us.

Heroin use is reaching dangerous levels in communities across our state and nation, and with these new laws, New York is taking a strong stand against this deadly epidemic. By improving treatment supports, instituting tougher penalties for traffickers, and training first responders and other emergency and law enforcement personnel in how to use life-saving anti-overdose medication, this legislation builds on the framework we have already designed to tackle this public health crisis.

Thank you again for your support and partnership on these efforts. I look forward to continuing our important work in the months ahead.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

ANDREW M. CUOMO