



 **Rockland County**



March 22, 2021

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

Dear Governor Cuomo:

We, the undersigned elected officials of Rockland County, are writing to implore you to open a mass vaccination site in Rockland County.

The data shows clearly that not only was Rockland one of the hardest hit counties overall in the past year, but it still has one of the highest infection rates in the state, per capita. Furthermore, the areas of Rockland with the highest number of infections over the past year have the lowest vaccination rates – between 6% and 15% - compared to the overall county vaccination rate of 22.7%. Clearly there is a need for a concerted local effort to reach those communities to encourage vaccination and hasten the achievement of herd immunity. Making it easier and more convenient to receive the vaccination will undoubtedly lead to a higher vaccination rate and swifter end to this terrible pandemic. Because of this, Rockland state lawmakers have introduced legislation demanding a state-run site for any county with a population of more than 300,000. Rockland is the only county of that size that still does not have a mass vaccination site within its borders.

It has been a very long and difficult year for everyone. It is incumbent upon all of us to do whatever we can to quickly end the fear and uncertainty by speeding up the process by which the greatest number of people can receive the vaccination in as short a time as possible. One crucial way to do that would be to open a state-run mass vaccination site within the borders of Rockland County so that we can do our part for the hardest hit communities.

Thank you very much for your prompt attention to this extremely serious matter and we look forward to the announcement and opening of a mass vaccination site herein Rockland County as soon as possible. We are happy to provide any assistance necessary to accomplish this goal.

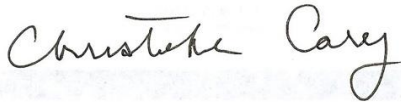
Very truly yours,



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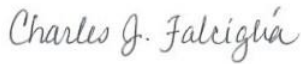
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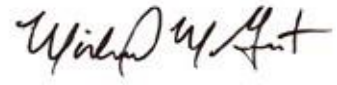
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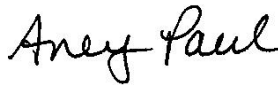
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