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The Honorable Kathy Hochul
Governor of New York State
NYS State Capitol Building
Albany, NY 12224

CC: Robert Jaeger, Berlin Town Supervisor
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Berlin, NY 12022

Dear Governor Hochul:

I am writing to you today in regard to the proposed foundation aid cuts in the Executive Budget proposal. I have received a high volume of calls and emails regarding the impact of these cuts on many school districts in my area. The Berlin School District is set to receive a cut of over \$1 million. Today the district announced teacher layoffs and other cuts to important programs and services. This will have devastating impacts on a community that is already struggling financially and will not only put people out of work but will damage our children's future.

I respectfully encourage you to reconsider your budget proposal and the impact it will have on school districts that are most in need.

Sincerely,

Scott Bendett
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