

STATE OF NEW YORK

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Dear Friends:

It is a pleasure to send greetings to everyone gathered for the 20th Anniversary Gala of Dominican Sunday Community Services.

Our state's greatest asset is its diversity of people, including a thriving and active Dominican population that contributes to our daily lives. Many work to provide needed services to the community, and Dominican Sunday was founded upon a shared ancestral heritage and vision to improve others' lives through the efforts of a generous, dedicated base of volunteers.

For the past two decades, your service-based organization has been a source of support and stability within the Dominican community throughout New York's "Manhattan Valley" area, addressing the needs of this challenged neighborhood with understanding and cultural sensitivity. With its focus on promoting a positive image of the community, your members provide an effective voice in working to eliminate false bias-based attitudes, social disparities, and harmful stereotypes. Your staff can be proud of its work to unify and assist people, and I applaud your ongoing efforts to improve the quality of life for our state's Dominican community.

Warmest regards and best wishes for an enjoyable evening.

Sincerely

ANDREW M. CUOMO

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