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Richard A. Carranza Chancellor of the New York City Department of Education 65 Court St (at Livingston St.) Brooklyn, NY 11201

Dear Chancellor Carranza,

I am writing to you in support of the PUMP Initiative, a non-profit organization that educates and empowers communities including both youth and adults in various facets of life. This very worthy organization deserves the resources necessary to grow and expand its mission to mentor youth to become self-aware, fulfilled and capable of navigating the world.

Since the COVID-19 pandemic began, PUMP has offered mentorship and support for remote learning by collaborating with community stakeholders to offer one-on-one guidance and new content creation. I support PUMP's vision, and I hope that they will receive the funding necessary to continue their work and expand their academic education services to include creative arts, health & fitness, financial literacy and life skills.

As a long-time public servant and state representative who has always made educating our youth a priority, I look forward to working with the PUMP Initiative and I wish them continued success.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely Yours,

Senator James Sanders, Jr.