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Hon. [Name of Senator] Address City, State Zip

Dear Senator [last name],

I am writing to you to express my support of Bill S7476/A5784 known as the New York HOPE Act, Hiring Outstanding Professionals in Education.

As you may know, current education law does not protect against unfair and discriminatory hiring practices in New York schools.

In addition, in <u>more than half</u> of New York's 700+ school districts less than 2% of the teachers are people of color.

The entire state of New York needs the HOPE Act to provide fair hiring practices in schools.

We hope that you will keep HOPE alive by voting in favor of the New York HOPE Act.

Sincerely,

[Your name]
[Your address]
[Your city, state zip]
[Your phone]
[Your email]