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Mae McKay, Chief Sector Steward  
NYS Correctional Officers & Police Benevolent Assoc.  
194 Washington Avenue  
Albany, New York 12210

Dear Chief McKay:

It is with great pleasure and enthusiasm that I write to you in support of the New York State Correctional Officers & Police Benevolent Association's Safety Means Abduction Registration Training (SMART) Program.

The SMART Program, which is free to participants, promotes child safety through the education of parents and children alike, on heightened awareness about child abduction and exploitation. This is achieved through a series of educational and precautionary measures.

The SMART Program, which has been approved by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, takes a proactive approach to child abduction. The proliferation of this program into school systems state wide would result in the increased safety and protection of our children.

I commend the NYS Correctional Officers & Police Benevolent Association on taking the initiative to create the vitally important SMART Program. I further commend, and am proud to be a part of, their effort to bring awareness of the SMART Program to every parent and child in New York State.

Sincerely,

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