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Ms. Nancy S. Ruscio, Superintendent  
Homer Central School District  
P.O. Box 500  
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Dear Ms. Ruscio:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your "State Budget Resolution," which calls for the repeal of the Gap Elimination Adjustment and other actions relevant to education funding in the New York State budget.

I agree that public education in New York State is critically important, and I have and will continue to support legislation and policies that support our students, parents, teachers, and administrators. At the core of public education must exist fair and equitable funding. I have made this, including an accelerated paydown and elimination of the GEA, my highest priority in budget negotiations.

Thank you for sharing this information with me and please do not hesitate to contact me in the future.

Sincerely,

David J. Valesky  
State Senator, 53<sup>rd</sup> District

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