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TO: SUNY Canton Automotive Technology Faculty, Subaru Distributors Corp., and North Country Subaru Dealers

Although I am unable to attend today’s announcement I have asked Dr. Schiffner to relay my sincere congratulations to all of you on forming this new public-private partnership that will benefit New York State, SUNY students, and the Canton community.

SUNY Canton exemplifies the Power of SUNY and how we can work with distinguished private sector partners like Subaru to boost economic opportunities across the state. I commend Subaru Distributors Corp. and North Country Subaru Dealers for recognizing the strength of the SUNY system and SUNY Canton’s state-of-the-art and newly renovated Automotive Laboratory.

When campuses join forces with outside corporations, we all can benefit. Sharing expertise and resources saves money and contributes to the growth of new opportunities for students and employers. As we answer Governor Cuomo’s charge to help drive New York State’s economy, this partnership will give students the hands-on experience they need and help build a workforce that stays and thrives right here in the Empire State.

Congratulations again!

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