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Dear Friends:

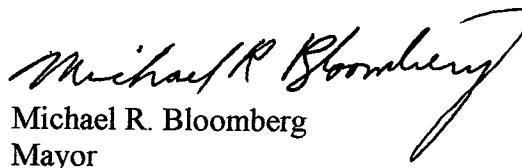
Welcome to YouthBridge-NY's Awards Breakfast Fundraiser and Youth Summit!

In New York, 170 languages are spoken and men and women from every culture live side-by-side in mutual respect. We embrace our diversity as a source of strength, and strive to always foster inclusiveness and equal opportunity. Today's students will be responsible for sustaining and strengthening this proud tradition in the years to come, and I applaud the more than 300 high school students who have gathered here this morning. Your dedication to public service is an important reason that our city's future looks brighter than ever.

I also commend all those associated with YouthBridge-NY for making this event possible. This organization is providing a vital service to all of our residents by cultivating our next generation of business, artistic, and civic leaders – who will maintain an open dialogue between the hundreds of ethnic, religious, and cultural communities that comprise the five boroughs.

On behalf of the City of New York, please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable event and continued success.

Sincerely,


Michael R. Bloomberg
Mayor