

The Honorable Kirsten Gillibrand  
478 Russell Senate Building  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510



Dear Senator Gillibrand:

The NYC Alliance for CNR thanks you for your leadership on the Child Nutrition Reauthorization. We applaud your work to raise awareness of child nutrition issues among New Yorkers, engage New York City government in the debate, and introduce bills that will improve the food security, health, and well-being of our nation's children.

We know that more work is needed to ensure that the opportunity is realized in the Child Nutrition Reauthorization to **end child hunger and food insecurity, ensure that all children have access to nutritious foods, reduce childhood obesity and ensure healthy children, and support regional farm and food economies while creating jobs and protecting the environment.** The NYC Alliance for CNR is united around these goals and our recommendations for achieving them, which we have shared with you. As a reminder, a copy of these is attached, and is also available at [www.NYCforCNR.org](http://www.NYCforCNR.org).

We also recognize that new financial investments are needed to ensure the best possible outcome for this bill. President Obama has already committed \$1 billion a year, making child nutrition a priority for the nation. As Senator for New York and a member of the Senate Agriculture Committee, **we hope that you will act quickly to pass this bill in the current budget cycle**, so that our children may begin to benefit immediately from program improvements that this commitment of new dollars will bring.

We look forward to continued work together to achieve our common goals.

Respectfully,

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Supporter of the NYC Alliance for CNR