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Dear Friends:

Please accept my warmest greetings and sincerest congratulations as the Schechter School of Long Island gathers to celebrate its *Annual Gala*. I am grateful for the opportunity to recognize the exemplary work of the Schechter School of Long Island and tonight's distinguished honorees on this wonderful occasion.

Since its inception, the Schechter School of Long Island has been committed to providing our children with a quality education. The school continues to be a place where our children can grow spiritually, intellectually and socially. In furthering the mission of Solomon Schechter, the Schechter School of Long Island continues to educate and empower its students to be critical thinkers, ethical leaders and globally engaged citizens. I applaud the Schechter School of Long Island for educating our youth and providing them with the tools they need to succeed in life.

Furthermore, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize tonight's honorees: **Janet & Albert Hakim**, **Ida & Eric Kalimian**, **Phyllis Simon** and **Meyer Steinberg**. The efforts and tremendous successes of these fine individuals have inspired a love for learning and honoring of Jewish values in our children. I join everyone gathered here tonight in recognizing this year's honorees for their dedication to the mission of the Schechter School of Long Island.

Again, congratulations and thank you for your hard on behalf of all New Yorkers. I know the Schechter School of Long Island will continue these noble efforts for years to come. Best wishes for an inspirational event!

Sincerely,

Charles E. Schumer United States Senator