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Young Israel of New Rochelle  
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Dear Friends:

It is a pleasure to send greetings to everyone gathered for the Virtual 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dinner of Young Israel of New Rochelle.

Since its inception, this vibrant congregation has been a welcoming sanctuary for those who share an abiding respect for Torah study, practices, and teachings. In reflecting on the achievements of Young Israel's past, it is clear that the wisdom and guidance of its spiritual leaders has fostered awareness and pride in the Jewish identity and faith of its membership.

This year, the YINR community deserves special commendation for their early response to the Coronavirus outbreak and their role at the epicenter of New York's crisis. Tonight, Young Israel of New Rochelle continues to find new and creative ways to reach out and support each other in these unprecedented times, while commemorating their 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dinner together virtually. You recognize esteemed individuals who further your mission and I am pleased to join in congratulating your Guests of Honor – Gary & Rachel Berger – as well as Distinguished Leader Yvette Finkelstein. Their outstanding contributions have truly benefited this distinguished shul, in these times of challenge and always, and are gratefully acknowledged and applauded.

With warmest regards and best wishes for good health and a memorable evening.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andrew M. Cuomo". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Andrew" being the most prominent.

ANDREW M. CUOMO

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