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Dear Friends:

I am delighted to send greetings to everyone participating in the *Second Harlem Science Parade and 7<sup>th</sup> Global Harlem Science Street Fair & Festival*.

It is wonderful that the Harlem Children's Society and the Rockefeller University Chapter of Sigma Xi Scientific Research Society have come together to help sponsor this outstanding event, which brings hands-on science to 15,000 community participants. Especially where science, math and technology are concerned, this kind of challenge, the exchange of ideas and the pursuit of research is so necessary to achieve the high standards of excellence needed to keep our Nation at the forefront of the information revolution.

I commend all affiliated with this unique parade and this great science fair, for their hard work, dedication and commitment to a very smart and engaged student body, which only gets better each year. In preparing our bright high school students and undergraduates for the future – further education and careers – you nurture the joy and the spirit of science and math, demonstrating the beauty of a mathematical equation or concept, and the wonders of scientific hypothesis and experiment, incidentally creating lifelong learners along the way.

On behalf of all New Yorkers, I am happy to applaud these fine future innovators and aspiring young scientists.

With warmest regards, and best wishes for a great day of science.

Sincerely,

DAVID A. PATERSON  
Governor