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Sat Bhattacharya, Ph.D, M.S., M.Sc., D.C.S., F.R.M.S.  
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Dear Dr. Bhattacharya:

I am pleased to extend my support for the Harlem Children's Society's Science, Technology, and Math (STEM) Programs for Under-resourced and Underserved Students, and my best wishes as you sponsor the Third Harlem Science Parade and the Eighth Global Harlem Science Street Fairs and Festivals.

Your work over the last eleven years to foster an interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math among underrepresented students is vitally important both for the students you serve and the State of New York. Through your initiation of science parades and street fairs, you have exposed gifted students from Harlem to the sciences, sparking an academic interest that will serve them well for a lifetime. Your programs have nurtured that interest, encouraging your students to pursue careers as physicians, researchers, professors, and engineers, thus enabling them to make a valuable contribution to their profession and community.

On behalf of the New York State Senate, I thank you for your commitment to bettering your community. As you prepare for this year's Harlem Science Parade and Harlem Science Street Fairs and Festivals, I wish you, your teachers, and your students much continued success. I am confident that with your spirited leadership, the Harlem Children's Society will continue to be an inspiration for many years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. G. Skelos', written over a white background.

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