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Hon. Patrick F. McAllister
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Re: Submission to Special Master, Jonathan Cervas, in the Matter of *Harkenrider v. Hochul* Index No. E2022-0116CV

The Unity Map Coalition is a consortium of preeminent voting rights organizations representing communities of color: the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund (AALDEF); the Center for Law and Social Justice at Medgar Evers College, CUNY; and LatinoJustice PRLDEF. The Coalition comes together to draw and advocate on behalf of a redistricting plan for New York City that recognizes and reflects the electoral strength of New York's communities of color and ensures that the voting rights of Black, Latino and Asian residents are protected.

The Coalition has been at the forefront of nonpartisan redistricting to protect communities of color for the last three decades. During the last Redistricting cycle in 2010-11, the Coalition successfully advocated for the adoption of its historic Unity Map for the 2010 Redistricting Congressional districts in NYC, the State Senate and Assembly, and the New York City Council. This Coalition rewrote redistricting history in New York State and serves as a model for the nation of collective advocacy and power sharing by diverse racial and cultural communities within a jurisdiction.

We continue that critical work this cycle recognizing the ever-present need to protect the voting rights of our communities and today, as amicus curiae, we humbly submit our State Senate Unity Map for your consideration. In addition to this mailing, we have faxed over a copy of our submission to the Steuben County Clerk's Office and the Steuben County Supreme Court on May 4, 2022. Also please note the zip, shape and json files with underlying demographic and mapping data relevant to our maps were submitted to Dr. Cervas' via email on May 4, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,

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