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Student Assembly President Marc J. Cohen's Statement on Governor Cuomo's Directive

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“The SUNY Student Assembly is proud to support the recent order issued by Governor Andrew Cuomo directing the State Education Department to ensure that transgender and gender nonconforming students are protected in New York's schools.

“The Governor's actions illustrate that New York will not tolerate discriminatory treatment of our students, both inside and outside the classroom.

“At our next meeting on March 4th in Schenectady, the Assembly's Executive Committee, led by Vice President Bridget Doyle, will take up legislation on gender inclusivity. We have a duty to stand up and speak out against hate and discrimination of any kind. SUNY is built on a foundation of inclusion, acceptance, and diversity, and we will continue to work every day to uphold these values on behalf of our 600,000 students.

“We encourage students to notify the Student Assembly of any campus policies or procedures that go against the spirit of the Governor's order, and we will bring those concerns to the forefront so that they may be addressed quickly and effectively.”

All concerns can be sent to contact@sunysa.org.

About the SUNY Student Assembly

The Student Assembly of the State University of New York (SUNY SA) is the recognized student government organization representing the nearly 600,000 students of the State University of New York. Comprised of student leaders elected by their peers from across SUNY's 64 campuses, SUNY SA is committed to empowering students throughout the state, and ensuring the representation of its members on the state and national level, as well as throughout the SUNY system.

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