

Winning Beginning NY

an early care and education coalition

Honorable David A. Paterson
Governor of New York State
State Capitol
Albany, NY 12224

June 22, 2009

Dear Governor Paterson:

On behalf of *Winning Beginning NY*, the state's early care and learning coalition, we wish to express our support for S. 2091/A. 3657, which would eliminate the child support requirement in order to receive child care subsidies. The child support requirement currently prevents parents from accessing child care subsidies if they have not sought child support.

Winning Beginning NY recognizes that there are many reasons why a parent might not pursue a support order—including safety. Children should not suffer because of this requirement.

We urge you to sign the legislation into law at your earliest opportunity.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



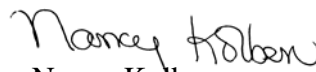
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