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Commissioner González-Sánchez Office of Addiction Services and Supports 1450 Western Avenue Albany, New York 12203-3526

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Dear Commissioner González-Sánchez and Director Diaz,

We would like to request a meeting with Commissioner Arlene González-Sánchez and Downstate District Director Zoraida Diaz in New York City to discuss the oversaturation of OASAS licensed programs sited in Harlem and East Harlem. This oversaturation has intolerably impacted our community by attracting increasing numbers of illegal drug dealers who have preyed on concentration of programs. This has, in turn, resulted in a tragic increase in drug related deaths in our community.

Yours,

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