

United States Senate

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Dance Parade
61 West 104th Street, Suite 3B
New York, NY 10025

Dear Friends:

Please accept my warmest greetings and sincerest congratulations as you gather for Dance Parade New York's Annual *Dance Parade and Festival*. I am honored to have the opportunity to recognize the commitment and hard work of Dance Parade New York, its leadership, volunteers, dancers and all who have made this exciting, inspiration and eventful parade possible.

Established in 2007, Dance Parade New York advocates dance as an "expressive and unifying art form" that celebrate diversity and collection of dance in New York City. Measured by the strength and dedication of all its members and leadership, Dance Parade New York celebrates multiculturalism and educates the public on different opportunities to experience dance throughout the city.

This Dance Parade will include 75 styles of dance, from all over the world, traditional and modern, as well as dance greats, such as Savion Glover, Jawole Zollar and Hex Hector, this year's Grand Marshals. Since its inception, the parade has grown exponentially, showcasing over 300 dance troops and over 10,000 dancers in a multicultural, multigenerational expression of the arts. I applaud your commitment which allows Dance Parade New York to continue to grow and flourish as an institution of expression and excellence.

Congratulations and thank you for your hard work and dedication on behalf of all New Yorkers. I hope Dance Parade New York continues these fantastic efforts for years to come. Best wishes for a wonderful afternoon, full of cheerfulness and joyfulness!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Charles Schumer". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Charles E. Schumer
United States Senator