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CHAMBERS OF
JUSTICE SONIA SOTOMAYOR

December 30, 2009

Stephen Baldwin
Board Chair
South Bronx Classical Charter School
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Dear Mr. Baldwin:

I would like to thank you for your letter of December 7th and tell you how deeply honored I am by SBCCS's invitation to visit your school. I am very impressed by the commitment of the Trustees of the South Bronx Classical Charter School in bringing quality education to the young children of the South Bronx. Regrettably, I am declining almost all invitations for travel or speaking for the next couple of years in order to devote myself to learning my new job. It is my hope that after that time, I will feel more comfortable with adding more to my schedule.

I appreciate the importance of the work you and the other Trustees of SBCCS are doing for the children of the South Bronx and hope that I will have an opportunity to visit your school in the future. Please convey to the children that my wish for them is to dream big, work hard, and achieve all in life they desire.

Very truly yours,

Sonia Sotomayor

cc: Hon. Jose Cabranes