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NEWS RELEASE

**GOVERNOR, ATTORNEY GENERAL, COMPTROLLER AND THE FOUR LEGISLATIVE LEADERS
INVITED TO "ALBANY ON THE RECORD" EVENT**

ALBANY-BASED EVENT ENDORSEMENTS JUMP TO 26 ORGANIZATIONS AND GROWING

***REINVENT ALBANY* – A NEW REFORM GROUP – UNVEILS NEW WEBSITE TO OFFER LIVE
"WEBSTREAMING" OF MAY 5TH EVENT AND CITIZEN INFORMATION**

New York State's leading civic groups today announced that Governor Paterson, Attorney General Cuomo, Comptroller DiNapoli and the four legislative leaders have been invited to describe their plans to fix Albany at a May 5th conference in Albany. The groups, led by the Brennan Center for Justice, Citizens Union of the City of New York, the League of Women Voters/N.Y.S., and the New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) also stated that organizational support for the event, "Albany On The Record," has grown to 26 organizations representing the diversity that reflects the statewide concern over the ethical and fiscal failures at the Capitol.

A new addition to the reform movement – *Reinvent Albany* – is the producer of the May 5th event, which is expected to bring together citizens from across the state to participate in the conference. *Reinvent Albany* also unveiled a new website www.albanyontherecord.org, which will allow New Yorkers to watch the May 5th proceedings via the Internet. The website will also allow interested residents to register to attend the event.

"Albany on the Record" is designed to stimulate debate over how best to fix Albany, which has been engulfed in controversies, scandals, convictions and resignations over the past few years, and get public officials to commit to rolling up their sleeves and beginning to take tangible steps this legislative session to address the problems in state government.

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Attached: Invitation letter to the governor (similar letters were sent to the attorney general, the comptroller and the four legislative leaders), a copy of the webpage for the "Albany on the Record" event and a list of the 26 groups that have endorsed the May 5th "Albany on the Record" event to date.