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Executive Director

Dear NAESP Members:

I am the executive director of SAANYS, the New York affiliate of NAESP. I am writing in support of Dr. Liza Caraballo-Suarez for the position of NAESP Vice President.

I have known Dr. Caraballo-Suarez for thirteen years. I have worked with her as president of the New York City Elementary School Principals Association (NYCESPA) and in her capacity as a leader in the New York City Council of Supervisors and Administrators (NYCCSA). She could not have attained the leadership positions that she did without having earned the respect of her fellow professional educators.

In NYCESPA Dr. Caraballo-Suarez led a professional association focused on pedagogy, building and program leadership, professional development, and increased student achievement in one of the largest and most diverse school districts in the world. In NYCCSA she is an advocate for a diverse workforce, student equity and academic achievement. In both capacities she has always been professional, effective, and well-informed as to issues.

Dr. Caraballo-Suarez has broad professional experience, including being a minority director on the NAESP Board of Directors. Her work with both SAANYS and NAESP exposed her to rural and suburban school districts in a substantive way that complemented her extensive experience in New York City. She is as complete and well-rounded an educator as one could ask for. She provides a level of energy and commitment to her professional pursuits that in my experience is unique.

SAANYS enthusiastically supports Dr. Caraballo-Suarez for the position of NAESP vice president. I truly believe that she would serve the members of NAESP, and the organization itself, in an exemplary fashion.

Sincerely,

Kevin Casey
Executive Director