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Former State Senator David Carlucci (D-NY, 38th): David Carlucci served as New York State Senator for the 38th District representing parts of Rockland and Westchester Counties from 2011-2020. As a Senator, his distinguished record includes the enactment of more than 160 pieces of legislation. Among them is Senate Bill (S.) 4336 / Assembly Bill (A.) 6163, which requires all vehicle occupants to use a seat belt on New York roads. More than 30 years after New York became the first state to enact a primary enforcement seat belt law for drivers and front seat passengers, the rear seat belt legislation was signed into law on August 11, 2020, following decades of consistent advocacy. Before joining the State Legislature, Senator Carlucci was elected Town Clerk in Clarkstown in 2005, and held the position for three terms. Senator Carlucci previously worked for former Congressman Eliot Engel (D-NY, 16th) as a staff assistant. The Senator is a Rockland Community College and Cornell University graduate.

Ivette Chaidez: Ivette Chaidez is an affected family member who has dedicated her energy to advocating for teen safe driving. As an Education Outreach Coordinator for Impact Teen Drivers, Ivette delivers life-saving, evidence-based programs to teens and their parents in English and Spanish. Prior to joining Impact Teen Drivers, Ivette founded Buckle Up for Itzy to raise awareness for safe driving in her community after the tragic loss of her sister. In 2020, Ivette received the Latino Inspire Award in honor of her outstanding service to California's 21st Congressional District from Congressman T.J. Cox.

Catherine Chase: Cathy Chase is President of Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety where she plays a critical role in advancing safety laws, regulations and policy on occupant protection, impaired driving, teen driving, distracted driving, motor vehicle and commercial motor vehicle safety, and autonomous vehicles. Frequently invited to speak before Congress, state legislatures and national conferences, she was selected by *CQ Roll Call* as one of seventeen "People to Watch in 2019." Ms. Chase is featured regularly in the press as an auto safety expert. She is a graduate of Rutgers College and received her J.D. from the George Washington University Law School.

State Assemblyman Nicholas Chiaravalloti (D-NJ, 31st): Assemblyman Nicholas Chiaravalloti has served in the New Jersey State Legislature since 2016 where he is currently Majority Whip, Vice-Chair of the Human Services Committee, a member of the Transportation and Independent Authorities Committee, and a member of the Commerce and Economic Development Committee. He is the Assembly sponsor of legislation (A. 855) to add a prohibition on viewing distracting content while driving such as streaming video and participating in video conferencing. From 2000 to 2007, Assemblyman Chiaravalloti served as State Director for U.S. Senator Robert Menendez. He also previously served as Director of

Policy and Planning for the City of Bayonne, NJ, and as Executive Director for the Bayonne Local Redevelopment Authority. Assemblyman Chiaravalloti received a B.A. in History from The Catholic University of America, a J.D. from the Rutgers-Newark School of Law, and a Doctorate in Education from Saint Peter's University.

Stephen W. Hargarten, MD, MPH: Dr. Stephen Hargarten is Professor of Emergency Medicine Affiliate Faculty, Comprehensive Injury Center and Associate Dean Office Global Health at the Medical College of Wisconsin. Dr. Hargarten has published over 100 peer-reviewed manuscripts. He has lectured regionally, nationally, and internationally on gun violence, global health, and injury prevention and control. Dr. Hargarten was inducted into the Johns Hopkins Society of Scholars and was elected to the Institute of Medicine (now the National Academy of Medicine) of the National Academy of Sciences in 2011. He was the founding President of the Society for the Advancement of Violence and Injury Research (SAVIR) and has served on the Violence and Injury Prevention Mentoring Committee for the World Health Organization. Dr. Hargarten currently serves on the national boards of Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety and the Association for Safe International Road Travel, the Executive Committee of the Transportation Research Board of the National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine, and the Community Preventive Services Task Force of the CDC. Dr. Hargarten received his MD from the Medical College of Wisconsin in 1975 and his MPH from Johns Hopkins in 1984.

U.S. Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-IL, 8th): Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi has served in the U.S. House of Representatives since 2017, where he currently chairs the House Committee on Oversight and Reform Subcommittee on Economic and Consumer Policy, is a member of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and serves as an Assistant Whip. Rep. Krishnamoorthi is lead sponsor of the SAFE TO DRIVE Act which seeks to encourage states to enact distracted driving laws with the incentive of federal grant money. In his role on the Oversight Committee, he has also exposed critical issues and requested investigations aimed at improving child passenger seat safety. Further, Rep. Krishnamoorthi, along with Rep. Jan Schakowsky (D-IL), have sought to stop cars with open safety recalls from being sold to consumers at auction by the General Services Administration. Prior to becoming a member of Congress, he served as Deputy State Treasurer of Illinois (2008-09) and Special Assistant Attorney General for Illinois (2006-07). Rep. Krishnamoorthi received his B.A. from Princeton University and his J.D. from Harvard Law School.

Alan Maness: Alan Maness is Vice President of Federal Affairs and Counsel at State Farm Insurance Companies. Based in Washington, DC, Mr. Maness works closely with Congress and the Executive Branch to promote public policy positions that are important to State Farm and its customers. Mr. Maness serves on the Board of Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety as Insurance Co-Chair as well as on the Business Roundtable's Washington Planning Committee. He was Senior Minority Counsel for the Aviation, Consumer and Surface Transportation Subcommittees of the Senate Commerce Committee from 1986 to 1994, an attorney with the U.S. Department of Justice from 1982 to 1986, and special assistant U.S. Attorney for Washington D.C. from 1984 to 1985. Mr. Maness earned his B.A. from the University of North Carolina, where he was Vice President of Phi Beta Kappa, and his J.D. from Yale Law School.