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The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo Governor of New York State Capital Building Albany, NY 12224

Governor Cuomo,

We the members of the Plainview Old Bethpage Board of Education are urging you to allow our students to have a socially distanced, COVID safe high school graduation in June of 2021.

With your decision to open up and allow limited attendance at sporting and catering venues, now is the time to officially give us permission to provide our students and their families a proper graduation ceremony.

Our district along with all the others across the state have waged a yearlong constant battle against COVID-19 to keep our schools safe and open. We have learned what we need to do and we have rigorous processes in place to keep our students, staff and community safe.

We implore you to allow our graduates to participate in and share this once in a lifetime celebration with their peers and families.

Please release guidelines as soon as possible for allowing outdoor and indoor graduations and allow our district and districts across the state to give our graduating seniors the graduation they have earned and deserve.

Respectfully,

The Plainview-Old Bethpage Board of Education

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