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Dear Principal Caraisco:

Earth Day is April 22, 2017.

Since the first Earth Day was celebrated in 1970, over 20 million Americans have participated, helping to improve the quality of air we breathe and the water we drink. In addition, landmark legislation has been passed to help support this effort, such as the Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act and the Endangered Species Act.

The New York State Senate takes this opportunity to celebrate the great strides New York has made in helping to improve our environment. From expanding the bottle law to promoting green energy, New York is helping to make a difference.

To celebrate and honor Earth Day this year, the New York State Senate is sponsoring a poster contest for children in grades K – 6. The theme of our Earth Day celebration is “Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.” I have enclosed a set of posters to display in your school and a detailed description of the competition. Please feel free to copy this information and pass it along to your teachers.

Entries should be photographed and submitted electronically, preferably in jpeg or pdf format via www.avella.nysenate.gov. All submissions must be uploaded to the website by March 24, 2017.

All entries will be displayed on my website, with the winning poster being featured. Participants will also receive a certificate acknowledging their participation.

Students are encouraged not only to be creative in their project, but also to convey a real commitment to making the environment a better place. By educating students about the importance of recycling, they will learn to be creative in solving the problem of solid waste.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my coordinator for this event, Cynthia Thomas Greenstein at **518.455.2520**. I hope you and your students will participate in this year's New York State Senate Earth Day Celebration.

Sincerely,

Senator Tony Avella