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Mr. George Gatta, Interim President
Suffolk County Community College

Dear Mr. Gatta:

The Suffolk County Association of Municipal Employees is declining to participate in SCCC's attempt to remove itself from the Suffolk County payroll system. While the college believes it is a laudable endeavor, our members (in a recent poll) overwhelmingly rejected its implementation. It is unknown at this point in time if our members will reconsider; however, I strongly suggest that if the college continues to desire a "joint employer system", you may want to include AME, the recognized bargaining unit, as part of the early discussions. Had this happened from the onset, our members' poll would have yielded a different result.

As you must be aware, the new Banner system has been a disastrous challenge with regard to purchasing and student accounts. Our members are ridden with anxiety to envision what the addition of payroll will do. Again, had AME been invited to be a participating member of the discussions of incorporating this new system, a smoother transition may surely have been the result.

Sincerely,

Cheryl A. Felice
President

CAF/elf

Cc: SCCC Unit members

Jeff Tempera, Director, Office of Labor Relations