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Ms. Nadine Morrell  
Audit Director  
Office of the State Comptroller  
Division of State Government Accountability  
110 State Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Albany, New York 12236-001

RE: Audit Report 2019-S-58

Dear Ms. Morrell:

In accordance with Section 170 of the Executive Law, this is our 180-day response showing actions taken to address the recommendations contained in the State Comptroller's Audit Report on the State University of New York, Determination of Residency for Tuition Purposes (2019-S-58). The State University of New York (SUNY) System Administration and our campuses take seriously the importance of compliance with guidelines and the need for documentation of processes and determinations. Below is SUNY System Administration's responses to the Office of the State Comptroller's recommendations, including those made to our campuses.

As OSC noted in its report, these recommendations relate to processes for the small percentage of students who are graduate students, as the OSC audit of undergraduate tuition found SUNY's determinations to be overwhelmingly compliant.

SUNY appreciates the auditors' intentions to improve this process. To date, SUNY System is reviewing the existing policy to ensure guidance to campuses is clear and implementation is consistent. SUNY will then advise campuses going forward should any modifications or improvements to procedures be necessary, consistent with SUNY's continued efforts to provide affordable and high-quality education opportunities to the public.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert Megna".

Robert Megna  
Interim Chief Financial Officer

cc. Interim Chancellor Stanley, Amy Montalbano

Governor Kathy Hochul  
Lieutenant Governor DelGado  
Senator Stewart-Cousins  
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