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**Municipal Clerks
for Mayors, Elected Officials
and Staff**



April 8, 2010

Dear Mayor:

I have been asked by the Regional Plan Association to inform you of an important program I believe you may find of interest. The text of the request follows.

Very truly yours,

William G. Dressel, Jr.
Executive Director

**Re: I. "Innovation and the American Metropolis"
Regional Plan Association hosts 20th Annual Regional Assembly
Friday, April 16 at the Waldorf-Astoria
8:30 – 4:00 pm**

**Innovations in technology and management are transforming our lives;
how are they changing our cities?**

RPA's 2010 Regional Assembly, "Innovation and the American Metropolis," considers innovative approaches to the design and management of cities, and asks how they can improve quality of life and economic competitiveness in our region. In the spirit of innovation, the Assembly will feature dynamic forums for discussion and opportunities for long-term partnerships that have regional and national implications.

The Regional Assembly is New York's premier public policy event, bringing together several hundred top business, civic, philanthropic, media, and government leaders from across the metropolitan region and nation. Each year the Assembly focuses on a priority issue. This year, we examine how

the innovative spirit and creativity of urban America can build and sustain a better future for our cities.

Speakers include:

Adolfo Carrión, Director, White House Office of Urban Affairs

Richard Ravitch, New York State's Lieutenant Governor

Richard Burdett, Director of the Cities program at the London School of Economics

William McDonough, architect, designer and author of *Cradle to Cradle*

David Crane, CEO of NRG Energy Inc.

and many other leaders from the private and public sectors

Breakout Discussions to Address How Innovations in Technology and Management are Transforming Cities:

The panels at this full-day conference include topics about green infrastructure, housing, the economy, energy, infrastructure, community design, and both regional and intercity transportation.

On Display: Tesla Roadster with Electric Charging Station

The race is on between several major car manufacturers to have an electric vehicle on the road by year's end, but Tesla Motors - the world's only automaker selling highway-capable electric vehicles - is already out of the gate. See the stunning Tesla Roadster on display at the Assembly along with its charging station. Brought to you by Tesla and this year's Assembly Chair, NRG, a leading energy provider investing in clean energy technologies.

New Assembly Features

*** Gain AICP CM and AIA CES credits at our morning and afternoon breakout panels.**

*** More networking opportunities: We are hosting a 3:00 pm open bar so you can get to know your fellow participants a little more.**

Regional Plan Association is America's oldest and most distinguished independent urban research and advocacy group. Now in its 86th year, RPA prepares long range plans and policies to guide the growth and development of the New York-New Jersey-Connecticut metropolitan region. RPA also provides leadership on national infrastructure, sustainability and competitiveness concerns. RPA enjoys broad support from the region's and nation's business, philanthropic, civic, and planning communities.

Best Wishes,

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RPA's 2010 Regional Assembly, "Innovation and the American Metropolis," is April 16 at the Waldorf=Astoria Hotel in New York City.

For more information and to sign up, visit www.regionalassembly.org

Re: II. NJLM Foundation's "Friends of Local Government"

Dear Mayor:

The League's Educational Foundation recently published its latest white paper. This is the first paper of the second volume in NJLM Foundation's "Friends of Local Government" Policy Paper series. These papers will offer perspectives and analysis from organizations focused on helping local governments addresses the fundamental challenges that lie ahead.

This paper is titled "Shared Services and Municipal Consolidation: Pursuing Careful Assumptions and Grounded Studies" by Mark Holzer, Dean of the School of Public Affairs and Administration (SPAA) at Rutgers-Newark, and the Executive Director of SPAA's National Center for Public Performance (NCPP) and John Fry, former municipal administrator and the Director of NCPP's Shared Services Institute.

The "Friends of Local Government" series can be found online at:
<http://www.njlmef.org/policy-papers.html>

Very truly yours,

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