



Hon. Carl L. Marcellino 812
Legislative Office Bldg.
Albany, NY 12247

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Dear Senator Marcellino,

Thank you for sponsoring S4364, the Healthy, Safe, and Energy Efficient Outdoor Lighting Act. As you know, light pollution is rapidly degrading the sky's quiet majesty and our nighttime environment. Excessive and misdirected outdoor illumination wastes precious energy, resources, and dollars. It increases power plant-generated air pollution, causes glare that blinds drivers and pedestrians, intrudes onto our property, and invades our privacy.

SELENE is a grassroots organization of residents of the State of New York. Members come from all corners of the state. SELENE believes that lighting at night is a necessity, but insists that it must be done in a wise manner: light only when necessary; use motion-sensors when possible; use full-cutoff designs to minimize glare, uplighting and trespass; and use appropriately-bright and energy-wise lamps in all cases. SELENE supports strong and comprehensive legislation for curbing light pollution in New York State.

SELENE strongly endorses S4364. We ask you to help get this bill enacted this year.

Sincerely,

Timothy J. Poulsen
Board Member, SELENE