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Dear Ben Lawsky,

After hearing about proposed regulations on bitcoin, I have grown very concerned about the cost to the state of New York of enforcing these regulations. In addition to adding to the regulatory burden of innovators, the department will need to hire new heads with money taken from the taxpayers of New York. I am considering a move to NY but I worry about the direction that your regulation is pushing the state.

Bitcoin regulation will be doubly harmful since consumers like me may have to pay twice. Once as the cost of our services goes up due to regulation, and again as I my wages are taken to pay for the regulatory oversight.

Consumers like me are NOT calling for protection from the government. Rather, we worry that the government will limit our options and will confiscate more of our hard earned money.

I will not vote for Cuomo, and I will advocate for his opponents, as long as Cuomo's appointees continue to weigh harmful regulation like the bitlicense.

Thank you,
Gordon

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