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**STATEMENT FROM THE HEALTH COMMISSIONER
DR. MARY T. BASSETT ON 15 ORGANIZATIONS FILING AMICUS BRIEF IN
SUPPORT OF SODIUM WARNING RULE**

“Fifteen organizations, including the American Heart Association, the Center for Science in the Public Interest, the Coalition for Asian American Children and Families, and the New York Academy of Medicine submitted an amicus brief today in support of the Health Department’s sodium warning rule. These organizations agree that overconsumption of sodium is a threat to public health and a key modifiable risk factor for hypertension. The sodium warning rule is a powerful tool that allows New Yorkers to make smart decisions to lower their sodium intake. These organizations agree wholeheartedly.”

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