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Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman
Albany County Legislature
112 State Street, Room 710
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

The Department for Aging is requesting the Legislature's approval for the following;
To accept the Congregate Services Initiative (CSI) grant from the New York State Office for Aging.
This grant funding allows the AC DFA to provide beneficial congregate services initiatives for our older adults attending congregate meal sites in Albany County. The services provided respond to their diverse needs and interests, enhance their dignity, support their independence, and encourage their involvement in and with the community and which seek to prevent the well elderly from requiring more intensive services such as those provided under expanded non-medical in-home services and non-institutional respite service.

Grant funding is used to support a range of services supported by the CSI grant which include but are not limited to; information and assistance, transportation, socialization, education, and health and wellness activities as well as caregiver support for families. These service initiatives promote wellness and ensure that older adults do not face unnecessary isolation and deterioration.

Grant Award Amount – \$6,450.00	Funding Source – 75% - State, 25% - County
Grant Term – 4/1/2021 – 3/31/2022	Budget Amendment – No
Revenue Account – Aging -AA6772.03785	

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah C. Riitano
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cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader
Hon. Frank Mauriello, Minority Leader
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel
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