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Via email: breslintj@colonie.org

Re: Albany County Municipal Park Improvement Initiative Grant Opportunity

Dear Mr. Breslin:

I am writing in support of the Town of Colonie's efforts to secure funding for improvements to the Lishakill Pocket Park in the Town of Colonie. I am the Albany County Legislator for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Legislative District representing many of the residential neighborhoods surrounding the Lishakill Pocket Park. Many of my constituents have voiced support for the Town to upgrade this Park and to make repairs to the existing basketball court and tennis courts. I also have the support of Albany County Sherrif Craig Apple who resides nearby.

The pocket park is within walking distance from the surrounding neighborhoods and is a valuable recreational resource for children and families who live nearby. However, the existing basketball and tennis court surfaces are unsafe and in disrepair. There is also a large grassy area which could be suitable for soccer and lacrosse goals. I urge the Town to apply for grant funding to help defray the cost of the necessary improvements for the Lishakill Pocket Park.

Respectfully,

Susan Quine Laurilliard

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cc: Sherrif Craig Apple