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

Dear Chairman Joyce:

The Office of the Albany County Executive respectfully requests authorization to enter into an information sharing access agreement with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) data.

This agreement will proactively give the County access to data which can be used to better inform subsequent updates to the County's Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, specifically the risk assessment and action development portions of the Hazard Mitigation Plan. The data may also be used for: 1) research, analysis, and feasibility studies; 2) hazard mitigation and floodplain management activities; 3) repetitive loss identification; and 4) outreach and education. In the past, NYS DHSES and DEC have been able to provide counties with this data, however they are no longer able to due to DHS/FEMA policy changes.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Daniel P. McCoy
Albany County Executive

cc: Hon. Dennis A. Feeney, Majority Leader
Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel
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