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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 stimulus funding for III-C-2 Home Delivered Meals Program from New York State Office for Aging. This funding will provide additional needed home delivered meal services to older adults living in Albany County.

<b>Stimulus Award Amount – \$469,632.00</b>	<b>Term – 4/1/2021 to 9/30/2024</b>
<b>Funding Source – Federal - 100%</b>	<b>Budget Amendment – No</b>
<b>Revenue Account – A6772 . 04775</b>	

The home delivered meal program provides nutritious meals to the frail older adults who are incapacitated due to accident, illness or frailty or who have inadequate support from family or friends with food shopping or meal preparation. Home delivered meals are the most economical long-term care service and can often substitute for or delay the need for more extensive services. During the pandemic this past year, the program delivered over **201,490** nutritious meals to older adults that were in need of meals on a temporary or longer-term basis to maintain their health and remain independent within the community as well as serving older adults in Albany County that were able to receive nutritious meals during NYS executive order in response to the pandemic.

Respectfully Submitted,

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