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Honorable Joanne Cunningham Albany County Legislature 112 State Street, Room 710 Albany, New York 12207

Dear Chairwoman Cunningham,

The Department of Public Works is requesting the Legislature's approval to accept grant award funding from the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY) and amend the 2023 County Budget. DASNY's Community Capital Assistance Program will fund the design and construction of a Quiet Zone at two rail crossings in the Village of Voorheesville. The safety improvements involve installing 4-quadrant gate systems at the CSX rail crossings at Voorheesville Avenue and North Main Street (both County roads). The North Main Street is approximately 100 feet from the Albany County Rail Trail trailhead in the Village, a popular destination for pedestrians and cyclists. The project will benefit pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicles traffic safety and will also improve quality of life because the enhanced safety infrastructure means trains no longer need to sound their horn as they approach the crossings. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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