

Daniel P. McCoy, Albany County Executive Bakary Janneh, Commissioner Alexandra M. Robert, Deputy Commissioner

Hon. Joanne Cunningham Chairperson, Albany County Legislature 112 State St., Room 710 Albany, NY 12207

April 2, 2025

Dear Honorable Chairwoman Cunningham,

The Albany County Department of Parks and Recreation respectfully requests authorization to accept \$50,000 in New York State funding for the Statewide Investment in More Swimming (SWIM) program. The funding will support the training and/or supplement the wages of one lifeguard per participating municipality. A budget amendment for three (3) additional lines: 44046, 19954, and 44042 is included to assist in the transparent acceptance and disbursement of funding.

The participating municipalities in this initiative include the Village of Altamont, the Town of Colonie, the City of Watervliet, the Town of Bethlehem, and the City of Cohoes. By providing this funding, we will be able to address local demand, improve public safety, and ensure a higher level of qualified lifeguards for our communities. I am available to discuss any additional details or provide further information.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We greatly appreciate your support in this vital initiative.

Sincerely,

Bakary Janneh Commissioner

Albany County Department of Parks and Recreation

CC: Deputy Chairwoman Wanda Willingham

Majority Leader Dennis A. Feeney Minority Leader Frank A. Mauriello Majority Council Rebekah Kennedy Minority Council James Curran

