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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 III-C1 Congregate Meals Program grant from New York State Office for Aging. This grant funding will provide congregate meal services that to older adults in Albany County.

Grant Award Amount – \$184,893.00  
Grant Term – 1/1/2021 to 12/31/2021  
Funding Source – Federal - 90% County - 10%  
Budget Amendment – No  
Revenue Account – A6772. 04774

During the past year, the Albany County Department for Aging supported congregate meal sites within the county that provided 83,911 nutritious meals approved by a registered dietician to 1484 older adults. The program is open to people who are 60 years or older, or the spouse of an eligible individual regardless if age. The congregate meal program not only provides older adults with nutritious meals but also provides them with an opportunity to interact with others, thereby reducing isolation and loneliness.

Respectfully Submitted,

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