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

Dear Chairman Joyce:

Enclosed is a Request for Legislative Action (RLA) for the May meeting of the Legislature. Albany County Department of Health requests permission to submit an application for the Healthiest Cities & Counties challenge to increase access to foods that support healthy eating patterns. The initiative directly implements current Albany County 2019 – 2021 Community Health Improvement Plan strategies and is founded on evidence base/nationally recognized intervention(s).

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth F. Whalen, MD, MPH  
Commissioner of Health

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader  
Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader  
Kevin Cannizzaro, Majority Counsel  
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Enclosures



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