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To Whom It May Concern:

I write to share my unqualified support for the grant application being made by the Town of Colonie for upgrades and repairs for the Lishakill Pocket Park.

The Lishakill Pocket Park is an important resource to Colonie residents. Its basketball and tennis courts are an asset for people of all ages in our area in theory, but in practice they need significant investment to be suitable for use by residents. The park's footprint extends beyond the courts in need of repair; it has a significant empty field extending west to the Lisha Kill which may be used for other recreational opportunities in the future. Lishakill Pocket Park is well located and well suited to make a positive difference in the health and mental wellbeing of residents of the neighborhood and beyond.

I urge you to give this proposal every favorable consideration. Thank you.

Best,

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