VILLAGE OF TUXEDO PARK 80 LORILLARD ROAD P.O. BOX 31 TUXEDO PARK, NEW YORK 10987

David C. McFadden Mayor

Via Email

December 9, 2021

Re: Water/Sewer Infrastructure

Dear Barbara Van Epps, NYCOM Deputy Executive Director, and David Bissember, NYCOM Legislative and Research Analyst:

I was pleased to learn about your most recent lobbying efforts, strongly advocating for the state to establish a program that would provide an annual stream of state funding to every municipality that owns or maintains water, sanitary sewer, or stormwater system.

As you noted, this program would supplement investments in preventive maintenance and upgrades, which would help avoid more significant and costly emergencies and repairs. The aid would be formula-driven based on the amount of water, wastewater, and stormwater pipelines owned and operated by the municipality.

The Village of Tuxedo Park supports your effort 110%. Our village has one of the state's oldest sewers, water delivery infrastructures, and stormwater systems, and its maintenance and repair account for much of our property tax. Our primary source of revenue is residential because we have no commercial or industrial zoning within our village - making our situation even more unique.

If there is anything we can do to help move this legislation along, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your efforts.

Sincerely

David McFadden

