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COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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Mr. Dwight Brown
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New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation
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Albany, New York 12207-2997

RE: Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) Grants

Dear Mr. Brown,

I am writing to express my support for the Village of Tuxedo Park's four applications to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) for consideration of certain grants for the water system to address issues that were cited by the NYS Department of Health.

Tuxedo Park has one of the oldest potable water infrastructure systems in the United States. Some parts of it, such as the water main of the Tuxedo Lake Reservoir, are nearly a century old.

The Village of Tuxedo Park's submission to the EFC were the following:

Tuxedo Water Meter Relocation: The Tuxedo Water Meter Project helps to identify parts within the water system that may be contributing to water loss, or find areas that are not leaking, moving focus elsewhere.

Water Treatment Plant Clearwell Upgrades: The Water Treatment Plant Project ensures proper chlorine contact time is provided under all temperature and demand scenarios as per Department of Health requirements.

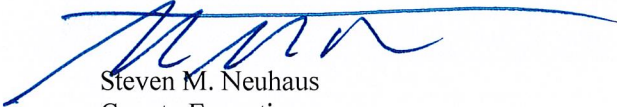
Tuxedo Lake Water Main Replacement: The Tuxedo Lake water main, essential to providing potable water and fire flows to the west side of the village, is a potential cause of water loss.

East Village Water Main Replacements: In an area of the Town known as the East Village, this project eliminates asbestos cement pipes with a history of failure. Repairs of these pipes are difficult due to confined space entries into the drainage culvert and handling of asbestos containing materials.

These projects benefit both Village and Town users. They will also reduce water loss and energy consumption at the Water Treatment Plant and extend the service life of Water Treatment Plant components.

The implementation of these projects will serve the pressing needs of the community. I encourage you to consider the Village of Tuxedo Park's applications for critical water infrastructure upgrades through the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act Grants.

Sincerely,



Steven M. Neuhaus
County Executive