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The Honorable Thomas Mazur 1214 Walden Avenue Cheektowaga, New York 14211

Dear Legislator:

The Erie County Council for the Prevention of Alcohol and Substance Abuse (ECCPASA) would like to thank you for your ongoing support and efforts to assist the residents of Erie County with many health issues faced in our community.

ECCPASA is a drug and alcohol prevention agency based in Buffalo, NY. We aim to provide leadership to fight the stigma associated with chemical dependency through public and policy education, liaison with the professional and recovering communities and provide referral and linkage for those in need.

We are currently working with a committee to promote Social Host legislation in Erie County and would love to have the Erie County Legislator's Health & Human Services Committee consider this plan. Across New York State there are currently 12 counties that have enacted this legislation and 30 towns and/or villages. We would be happy to provide you with more information as needed so that you can make a healthy decision for our community. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Andrea J. Wanat, MA, CPP

Executive Director