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Hon. Mark C. Poloncarz
Erie County Executive
95 Franklin Street
Buffalo, NY 14202

Dear County Executive Poloncarz:

As the District 1 Legislator for Erie County, I am writing concerning a request by Mt. Aaron Manor, a non profit organization, which recently broke ground on the construction of a 10-unit Senior Housing Complex on Genesee Street in the City of Buffalo. This Senior Housing Complex will offer single bedroom apartments to low income seniors and is fully funded through the City of Buffalo's HOME program.

The request concerns a surplus van that Erie County would transfer to Mt. Aaron Manor for its use in the transportation of residents of the facility. My hope is that the County will support this endeavor and authorize the Director of Purchase to transfer the surplus van so that residents can access safe and reliable transportation to medical appointments, retail and grocery shopping and recreational activities.

The reuse of Erie County's surplus inventory, including that of this surplus vehicle, by non profit organizations based in Erie County is an effective strategy for County taxpayers to maximize their return on investment. It is good public policy for County government to embark on such endeavors and engage the community in partnership with Erie County.

Upon your authorization to reappropriate this vehicle, as well as submission of the necessary resolution to the Legislature, I will work with my colleagues to support this endeavor and provide Mt. Aaron Manor with this much needed assistance.

Thank You in advance for your consideration in this matter. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Barbara Miller-Williams
1st District Legislator

Cc: Pastor Dwayne Jones, Mt. Aaron Baptist Church

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