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## COUNTY OF ERIE

**MARK C. POLONCARZ**

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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Erie County Legislature  
92 Franklin Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Buffalo, New York 14202

**RE: Erie County Clarence Highway Facility - 2016 – New Maintenance Building**

Dear Honorable Members:

Due to the critical time schedule for this project, we are requesting that an Open Item be placed on the Economic Development Committee agenda for discussion of the Erie County Clarence Highway Facility – 2016 – New Maintenance Building.

The current Clarence vehicle maintenance facility is housed in a building originally constructed in the 1920's as a railroad car repair garage. Several additions have been put on the original building and it now encloses approximately 23,000 square feet of area. The building has ongoing issues with leaks between the original building and the addition that houses the high bay; many of its components are in critical shape and require replacement. A new roof is not possible due to additional structural loads required to upgrade it to today's Energy Codes. Due to the age of the facility, and the changes in use, it is more cost effective to demolish the current facility and construct a New Maintenance Building to meet current operating standards and NYS building code requirements.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, please contact Commissioner John C. Loffredo at the Department of Public Works. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark C. Poloncarz", is written over a horizontal line.

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.  
Erie County Executive

MCP/ecg

cc: John C. Loffredo, Commissioner