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ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

HON. JOHN J. MILLS
CHAIRMAN OF THE LEGISLATURE
11TH DISTRICT LEGISLATOR

August 23, 2016

Timothy Hogues
Department of Senior Services
95 Franklin St, - 13th Floor
Buffalo, NY 14202

Dear Mr. Hogues,

I would like to congratulate you on being recommended to serve as Commissioner of the Department of Senior Services. This honorable body has had the opportunity to work with you in the past and is hopeful you can continue to provide our seniors with the care they deserve.

As you are aware, County Executive Poloncarz submitted your name for consideration to be Commissioner of Senior Services during the annual August legislative recess. We are disappointed that this approach was taken by the Executive. Under Section 307 of the Erie County Charter your appointment as Commissioner is confirmed by the Legislature without rejection of your appointment within 30 days.

After discussion with my colleagues, we will allow the 30 days to expire, thereby confirming you as Commissioner. Congratulations on your appointment and we wish you all the best.

We would like to request your attendance at the next Health and Human Services Committee, which will be scheduled for September 15, 2016, to discuss your goals for the department going forward and your plans to reach them. This notice should give you plenty of time to familiarize yourself with your department's budget, the duties and responsibilities of your position, and the constituents that are most in need of the department's services.

Over the next week, my colleagues plan on reaching out to you, prior to the expiration of the Legislature's approval period, with any concerns they would like addressed at the first committee day in September.

Again, congratulations on your appointment and we look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John J. Mills".

Chairman John J. Mills
Erie County Legislature