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Re: Support for the New Buffalo Bills Stadium

To our friends in Erie County Legislature:

The International Union of Operating Engineers Local 17 is proud to support the New Buffalo Bills Stadium in Orchard Park, NY, and Proud of the hard work put forth by Governor Hochul, Erie County Executive Mark Poloncarz, and you the Erie County Legislature. Local 17 represents 1800 members of the Heavy and Highway Construction, Surveying, and Building Engineering Trades, in 6 ½ counties of Western New York. Erie County, and the Buffalo-Niagara Building and Construction Trades Councils, are the perfect partners to handle a project of this Importance, Size, and Scope. Together with New York State and the Pegula's, the Buffalo Building Trades will supply thousands of construction workers, including apprentices from our own sponsored apprenticeship programs, that give young workers a chance to learn a trade while working, and without the burden of student loans.

The construction jobs generated will pay thousands of dollars in taxes to the County, State. Also, thousands of tax dollars to our local school districts, and let's not forget the thousands of dollars paid in wages, pension, and healthcare contributions for the workers. That's literally thousands of dollars back into the very communities that we all live in, dine in, pray in, and don't forget, Vote in.

We support a New Bills Stadium!!!!

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