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The Honorable Laura Gillen
428 Canon House Office Building
Washington DC, 20515

Re: Funding for Check Valves in Freeport

Dear Congresswoman Gillen,

As the Nassau County Legislator for District 6, I am writing to you in strong support of the Village of Freeport's request of \$4.5 million in Congressionally Directed Spending for the installation of check valves within the Village of Freeport.

The Village of Freeport is one of the fastest growing villages in the State of New York. It is a vibrant and diverse waterfront community with many canals on its southern shores. As a result, there is a high demand for prevention measures to stop nuisance flooding, which affects residential and commercial areas. It has often gone beyond this to full on tidal and storm flooding, with the Village being one of the communities most affected during Superstorm Sandy, and it continues with the ever-increasing rate of tropical storm remnants that come its way during hurricane season.

This funding would allow the Village of Freeport to complete the installation of the current storm water pump system which would pump the water back into the waterways, and it would add a robust check valve system which would prevent roads and homes from being flooded; ultimately, this would make our Freeport and Nassau County communities safer and more resilient.

I appreciate this opportunity to support the Village of Freeport's request for Congressionally Directed Spending, and highly recommend that it receive this funding. Should you have any questions about this letter or my support, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Legislator Debra Mulé

Nassau County's 6th Legislative District includes:

Roosevelt, Baldwin, Baldwin Harbor, part of Freeport, part of Oceanside, and South Hempstead



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Representative Laura Gillen
Congresswoman, NY-04
229 7th Street
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Dear Representative Gillen,

I am writing to express my strong support for the Village of Freeport's request for \$4.5 million in Congressionally Directed Spending to support the installation of check valves as parts of its stormwater management infrastructure.

As one of the fastest-growing municipalities in New York, the Village of Freeport—situated along the waterfront—continues to face frequent and disruptive flooding that affects both residential neighborhoods and commercial corridors. This funding would enable the Village to complete its stormwater pump system, including the installation of check valves designed to prevent tidal waters from backing up into streets, homes and businesses during high tide events.

By mitigating nuisance flooding and improving resiliency, this project will protect property, reduce emergency maintenance costs, and support the safety and quality of life for both current and future residents of the Village and the surrounding region. This is a critical infrastructure need, and I respectfully urge your full consideration and support of the Village of Freeport's request. Thank you for your leadership and continued investment in Long Island's coastal communities.

Sincerely,

Judy Griffin
Member of Assembly, District 21



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March 4, 2025

US Congresswoman Laura Gillen
4th District NY-04
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Subject: Nuisance Flooding

Dear Representative Gillen:

This administration has developed and installed a successful engineering project that has eliminated nuisance flooding within the Guy Lombardo peninsula, in our waterfront community. The use of specially designed catch basins, in-line check valves, pumps, control stations, and discharge piping has literally stopped nuisance flooding from Hudson to Guy Lombardo Avenues, and all streets in between.

To the benefit of over **485 homes and 1,645 residents**, the installation of these six (6) pumping stations has prevented constant high tide nuisance flooding, which caused basement flooding, yard equipment damages, vehicle salt-water losses, and the inability to transit access roads until tides recede.

That successful project is now being expanded to span from Woodcleft Avenue west to South Long Beach Avenue, to eliminate nuisance flooding to another **493 homes and 1,725 residents**.

The projected cost for this new project is \$3.2 million, and is expected to be completed prior to December 2025. Your assistance in securing grant funding for this project, which will help our mutual constituency, would be greatly appreciated by this office and the entire waterfront community.

Awaiting your reply, I remain,

Very Truly Yours,

Robert T. Kennedy
Mayor



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The Honorable Laura Gillen

U.S. House of Representatives

Dear Representative Gillen,

I hope this message finds you well. As the New York State Assembly Member representing several communities in Nassau County, I write to express my strong support for federal investment in the following key local infrastructure projects and to explore opportunities for working in collaboration with your office to advance them:

1. Village of Freeport – Nuisance Flooding Mitigation

The Village of Freeport faces persistent nuisance flooding that affects homes, businesses, and critical infrastructure. To address this, the village is pursuing mitigation strategies including stormwater management upgrades and coastal protection enhancements. Federal funding is essential to advancing these efforts and protecting this vulnerable coastal community.

2. Village of Hempstead – Water Treatment Upgrades

The Village of Hempstead requires significant upgrades to its water treatment infrastructure to ensure safe, clean drinking water and regulatory compliance. Support for modernizing filtration systems, replacing aging pipes, and addressing emerging contaminants like PFAS will improve public health outcomes and environmental resilience.

3. Lakeview – Lakeview Library Renovation

The Lakeview Library is a cornerstone of the community, offering vital educational and cultural resources. Renovation and modernization of this facility will expand services, improve accessibility, and enhance digital and workforce development programming. Federal investment in this project will help uplift the entire Lakeview community.

These initiatives are of critical importance to my constituents and represent meaningful opportunities for federal-state collaboration. I look forward to working in collaboration with your office to identify funding opportunities and advocate for these community-driven priorities.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the residents of Nassau County. I look forward to working together to advance these efforts.

Sincerely,

Noah Burroughs

Member of the New York State Assembly