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May 29, 2018

Ms. Ruth Mahoney and Dr. Havidán Rodríguez
Co-Chairs
Capital Region Regional Economic Development Council
Hedley Park Place
433 River Street
Troy, NY 12180

**Re: Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) Round III
City of Albany, New York**

Dear Ms. Mahoney and Dr. Rodríguez:

As Mayor of the City of Albany, it is my honor to submit our application for Round III of Governor Andrew Cuomo's Downtown Revitalization Initiative. I would like to commend Governor Cuomo for this unique opportunity to pursue funding that can enrich and transform our downtown community and I appreciate the emphasis he has placed on upstate New York communities like the City of Albany.

As New York's Capital City, Albany has something to offer everyone — a deep-rooted history and culture that is matched with exceptional natural landmarks, remarkable attractions, entertaining events, a vibrant night life, and a thriving arts scene. Albany has tremendous momentum, and an investment in Downtown Albany through the Downtown Revitalization Initiative will not only strengthen this force, but will enable us to truly ignite future economic and community growth.

The accompanying Downtown Revitalization Initiative application outlines the bold vision for Clinton Square — the property along Broadway and North Pearl between Albany's growing downtown core and its evolving warehouse district. With DRI assistance, Clinton Square is poised to be a thriving gateway district and a distinctive hub that connects and catalyzes activity in downtown and the warehouse district, drawing this momentum into the surrounding Arbor Hill and Sheridan Hollow neighborhoods through, private project development, vibrant arts and entertainment and public infrastructure investments.

I am proud to present this application for Governor Cuomo's Downtown Revitalization Initiative, and I applaud all the stakeholders of the Albany community who have collaborated to shape this plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kathy M. Sheehan", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kathy M. Sheehan
Mayor, City of Albany



PATRICIA A. FAHY
Assemblymember 109th District

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May 25, 2018

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Sincerely,

Patricia A. Fahy
Member of Assembly



JOHN T. McDONALD III
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May 24, 2018

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Sincerely,

John T. McDonald III
Member of Assembly

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ALBANY, NEW YORK 12247



NEIL D. BRESLIN
SENATOR, 44th DISTRICT

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Neil D. Breslin
Member of Senate



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Hon. Joyce Love

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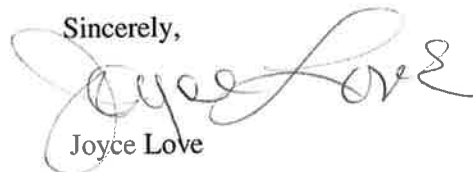
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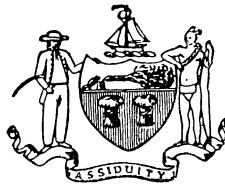
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Sincerely,



Joyce Love



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May 23, 2018

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Kelly R. Kimbrough
Majority Leader
Albany Common Council Member, 4th Ward

May 31, 2018

Ms. Ruth Mahoney
Dr. Havidàn Rodriguez
Co-Chairs – Capital Region Economic Development Council
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433 River Street – Suite 1003
Troy, NY 12180



Dear Ms. Mahoney and Dr. Rodriguez:

The Capital Craft Beverage Trail (CCBT) is pleased to support Capitalize Albany's application for grant funding under the Downtown Revitalization Initiative.

The CCBT is an association of more than 20 craft producers of beer, cider, wine, spirits, and other fermented beverages like kombucha in an eight-county region including Albany, Rensselaer, Schenectady, Saratoga, Washington, Warren, Columbia and Greene Counties.

The CCBT was founded as the Albany Craft Beverage Trail by the producers clustered in the downtown Albany area targeted by this grant application.

The CCBT and its Albany producers would benefit from improvements that could be made under this grant application that would promote:

- our local businesses,
- the New York State agricultural products that are the backbone of our industry, and
- bicycle tourism, which is so important to our city, region, and state.

Please feel free to call on me with any questions (518.449.4698).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Teresa M. Casey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Teresa" and last name "Casey" clearly visible.

Teresa Casey
Executive Director



DANIEL P. MCCOY
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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May 25, 2018

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Daniel P. McCoy
Albany County Executive

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