


COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
October 22, 1998

**TO:** Members of the General Assembly

**FROM:** Heather M. Schleicher, Director  
Office of Legislative Affairs 

**SUBJECT:** First Round Community Revitalization Funding – FY 98/99

I am pleased to provide you with a comprehensive list of the first round grant recipients for Fiscal Year 1998-99 under the Community Revitalization Program of the Department of Community and Economic Development. This list reflects a county-by-county breakdown of all approved applicants.

If an application that you are interested in did **not** receive funding in the first round their application will automatically roll over to the second round which ends on December 18, 1998. Should they not receive funding in the second round, their application again rolls over to the third round. The third round of consideration will include applications rolled over and applications received up to and including March 19, 1999.

Should an applicant have questions regarding the completion of their application, please have them contact the Department's Customer Service Center at 1-800-379-7448.

Please contact this office if we can be of further assistance to you or your staff at (717) 783-1886.

*Elk*

Elk County Volunteer Firemen's Association \$5,000.00 to purchase radio control equipment

Horton Township Supervisors \$5,000.00 for a water extension project

Jay Township \$10,000.00 to make road repairs

*Erie*

Benedictine Sisters of Erie, Inc. \$5,000.00 to construct a handicapped - accessible entrance

Brookside Fire Company \$5,000.00 for Automatic External Defibrillators

City of Corry \$5,000.00 for upgrades to the police department computer system

City of Erie \$100,000.00 for land and building acquisition for economic development

North East Historical Society \$15,000.00 for building restoration

Stairways \$20,000.00 for building and grounds improvements

Summit Township \$5,000.00 for the Summit Township Comprehensive Plan

*Fayette*

Borough of Belle Vernon \$15,000.00 to purchase a police vehicle

Borough of Dunbar \$10,000.00 to make renovations to the Dunbar Honor Roll Project

Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc. \$16,000.00 for renovations to the Fairchance-Georges Senior Center

Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc. \$28,000.00 for floor repairs at the Uniontown Senior Center

Jefferson Township \$10,000.00 to purchase a plow and diesel truck

Lions Square, Inc. \$5,000.00 for the completion of "Lions Square"

Lower Tyrone Township \$25,000.00 for community center improvements

Brownfield Community Center

Perry Township \$25,000.00 to upgrade equipment

Republic Volunteer Fire Company \$30,000.00 to purchase a fire truck

Washington Township \$15,000.00 to purchase a police cruiser

*Franklin*

Borough of Chambersburg \$19,285.00 to purchase communication equipment

Borough of Waynesboro \$30,800.00 for the Memorial Park Playground Project

Franklin County Area \$40,000.00 for rail siding construction

Development Corporation Greencastle-Antrim Organized Youth Foudation (GAOYF) \$25,000.00 for train station restoration

*Fulton*

Burnt Cabins Heritage \$10,000.00 for the Burnt Cabins Village Master Plan

Development Corporation Fulton County Library \$10,000.00 for operating expenses

*Huntingdon*

Borough of Rockledge \$10,000.00 to upgrade playground and fire equipment

Huntingdon County Library \$10,000.00 to purchase equipment

*Juniata*

Moyer Park and Recreation Area-Port Royal Borough \$20,000.00 for improvements to the recreation area





COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
HARRISBURG, PA 17120

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

June 24, 1998

Dear Member of the General Assembly:

I am pleased to provide you with a comprehensive list of third round grant recipients under the Community Revitalization Program of the Department of Community and Economic Development. This list reflects a county-by-county breakdown of all approved applicants.

If an application that you are interested in did not receive funding in the final round of funding for Fiscal Year 1997-1998, the applicant is invited to reapply for funding during Fiscal Year 1998-1999. Revised Single Applications for Assistance will be available in the near future. As soon as applications are available to my office, I will provide your Harrisburg office with a copy; please do not hesitate to make as many copies of the application as you need. Also, an applicant may directly request an application by phoning the Department's Customer Service Center at 1-800-379-7448.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Debbie Smith or me at (717) 783-1886.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather M. Schleicher".

Heather M. Schleicher  
Office of Legislative Affairs

Newtown Township: \$5,000 for a 4th of July celebration.  
Notre Dame Golden Age Club: \$2,500 for club activities.  
Our Lady of Peace Seniors: \$2,500 for club functions.  
Radnor Township: \$5,000 for infrastructure improvements.  
Radnor Township Civic Association: \$10,000 for a new roof.  
Ridley Park Athletic Club: \$5,000 for renovations and additions.  
Rose Tree Fire Company No. One: \$5,000 for purchase of fire fighting equipment.  
Springfield Township Library: \$25,000 for computer upgrades.  
St. Rose of Lima Srs.: \$2,500 for meal program.  
Township of Concord: \$5,000 for repairs.  
Upland Fire Co. No. 1: \$6,500 for replacement of firehouse lighting system.  
Upper Darby School District: \$100,000 for football field lighting.  
YMCA of Philadelphia and Vicinity: \$300,000 for branch construction.

#### **ELK**

Fox Township: \$5,000 for land survey.  
North Central PA Regional Planning and Development: \$20,000 for sanitary facilities and trash disposal.

#### **ERIE**

City of Erie, Bureau of Police: \$200,000 for equipment.  
Florence Crittenton Services of Erie Inc.: \$15,000 for equipment, furniture and educational materials.  
Northwest Pennsylvania Technical Institute: \$78,350 for job training.  
Redevelopment Authority of the City of Corry: \$25,000 for the design of a wastewater flow system.  
YWCA of Erie: \$40,000 for facility upgrades.

#### **FAYETTE**

Belle Vernon Borough: \$5,000 for equipment upgrades and street paving.  
Borough of Brownsville: \$10,000 for renovations.  
Brownsville Township: \$5,000 for municipal building construction.  
Dawson Borough: \$5,000 for street lighting.  
Dunbar Township: \$10,000 for guide rails.  
Fairchance Borough: \$10,000 for recreational improvements.  
Fayette City Borough: \$5,000 for road repairs.  
Fayette County Agricultural Improvement Association Inc.: \$6,000 for outdoor arena renovations.  
Fayette County Community Action Agency Inc.: \$10,000 for parking lot paving.  
Franklin Township: \$15,000 for purchase of a new dump truck.  
German Township: \$10,000 for an addition to the municipal building.  
Jefferson Township: \$10,000 for removal of underground storage tank.  
Luzerne Township: \$10,000 for a new vehicle.



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
HARRISBURG, PA 17120

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

February 13, 1998

Dear Member of the General Assembly:

I am pleased to provide you with a comprehensive list of second round grant recipients under the Community Revitalization Program of the Department of Community and Economic Development.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or Debbie Smith at (717) 783-1886.

Sincerely,

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Heather M. Schleicher  
Office of Legislative Affairs

## ERIE COUNTY

- Amity Township: \$10,000 for restroom renovations and office equipment.
- Boys and Girls Club of Erie, Inc.: \$37,500 for architectural building design.
- Edinboro Regional Community Service: \$15,000 for the Edinboro Lake Watershed program.
- Edinboro Regional Community Service: \$7,500 for public park construction, a community service project and fire equipment.
- Erie City: \$25,000 to purchase equipment.
- Fort LeBoeuf Historical Society: \$14,782 for renovations.
- Girard Township: \$12,500 to make upgrades to the parking lot.
- Greenfield Township: \$10,000 for renovations.
- Greenfield Township: \$10,000 to replace township building.
- House of Healing: \$10,000 for operating costs.
- Housing and Neighborhood Development: \$15,000 for a development subsidy.
- Maria House Projects: \$10,000 for building acquisition.
- Venango Township: \$10,000 to replace a truck and plow.
- Wesleyville Borough: \$10,000 for a new fire hall roof.
- West Lake Fire Dept.: \$40,000 for renovations, equipment, and education.

## FAYETTE COUNTY

- Bullskin Township Senior Citizens, Inc.: \$5,000 for senior citizen center projects.
- Everson Borough: \$15,000 for park restoration activities.
- Fayette Civic Forum: \$5,000 to support job fairs and economic development.
- Fay-Penn Economic Development Corp.: \$150,000 for the revolving loan program.
- Georges Township: \$10,000 for equipment.
- German Township: \$10,000 to demolish blighted structures.
- Mon Valley Progress Council: \$200,000 to recap local seed grant.
- Perryopolis Area Heritage Society: \$45,800 for a water line.
- Redstone Township: \$15,000 to purchase a new police vehicle.
- South Brownsville Fire Co. No. 1: \$20,000 for equipment.



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
HARRISBURG, PA 17120

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

October 31, 1997

Dear Member of the General Assembly:

For your review, enclosed please find a listing of first round recipients under the Department's Community Revitalization Program.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Russell", written over a horizontal line.

Rick Russell, Legislative Liaison  
Department of Community  
and Economic Development

East Lansdowne, \$10,000 to upgrade the parking area and public works yard.

Landsdowne Borough, \$50,000 to renovate ball fields at Hoffman Park, Ardmore Avenue, Greene Avenue and Essex Avenue.

Upper Chichester Township, \$10,000 to renovate senior center.

Upper Darby School District, \$10,000 for lighting for the Upper Darby High School Football Stadium.

Erie  
Cranesville Vol. Fire Dept. Inc. & West Co. Chiefs, \$25,250 to upgrade equipment.

Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, \$65,000 to establish an Osteopathic Postdoctoral Training Institution.

Huntingdon  
Huntingdon Borough, \$7,959 to purchase bullet proof vests and computer work stations.

Indiana  
Indiana County Commissioners, \$300,000 to construct an access road for the Indiana County Corporate Campus.

Indiana Fire Academy, \$40,000 to construct an equipment storage and instruction area.

Jefferson  
Punxsutawney Area Community Arts & Recreation Center, \$10,000 for start-up costs of the Community Arts and Recreation Center.

Summerville Borough, \$20,000 to renovate borough building and repave roadway.

Lackawanna  
Carbondale Technology Transfer Center, \$250,000 to identify emerging environmental technologies, products and services that address environmental problems.

Great Northeast Foundation, \$400,000 to financially assist community groups in distressed areas and promote cooperative economic recovery activities.

Lackawanna Junior College, \$500,000 to renovate college auditorium.

Northeastern Pennsylvania Council #501, Boy Scouts of America, \$500,000 for building construction.

Lancaster  
Colerain Township, \$200,000 for construction of a recreation park to include 8 baseball fields.

Lawrence  
Bessemer Borough, \$45,000 for installation of two water tanks required by DEP.

Ellwood City Amateur Baseball Federation, \$10,000 to upgrade recreation area.

Ellwood City High School Choral Boosters, \$10,000 to purchase music department equipment.

New Castle Community Y, \$10,000 for Youth Director position

New Castle Playhouse, \$10,000 to update stage and theater

Shenango Athletic Association, \$10,000 to upgrade athletic fields.

Lebanon  
Cornwall Borough, \$10,000 to purchase a mobile video system for the police department patrol vehicle.

Lebanon City, \$25,000 to construction a roller/ice hockey.

Lebanon Community Library, \$10,000 to purchase children's books.

Lebanon Valley Exposition Corporation, \$10,000 to construct a new cattle holding area for livestock facility.

Northern Lebanon School District, \$10,000 to refurbish school district buildings.



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
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HARRISBURG, PA 17120

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

June 4, 1997

Honorable Italo Cappabianca  
House of Representatives  
House Post Office  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Representative Cappabianca:

Please be advised that the Trinity Center has been approved for a Community Revitalization Program grant in the amount of \$20,000.

The funds will be used for renovations of the community center.

Should you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 783-1886.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Russell".

Richard Russell  
Director  
Legislative Affairs



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
HARRISBURG, PA 17120

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

May 29, 1997

Honorable Italo Cappabianca  
House of Representatives  
House Post Office  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Representative Cappabianca:

Please be advised that the Experience Children's Museum has been approved for a Community Conservation and Employment Program grant in the amount of \$15,000.

The funds will be used for renovations to provide accessibility for handicapped children and for printing equipment.

Should you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 783-1886.

Sincerely,

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Richard Russell  
Director  
Legislative Affairs





COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
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HARRISBURG, PA 17120

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

May 28, 1997

Honorable Italo Cappabianca  
House of Representatives  
House Post Office  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Representative Cappabianca:

Please be advised that the City of Erie, Bureau of Police has been approved for a Community Revitalization Program grant in the amount of \$50,000.

The funds will be used for the purchase of patrol cars.

Should you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 783-1886.

Sincerely,

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Richard Russell  
Director  
Legislative Affairs



**Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development**  
*Working Together to Open a World of Opportunity*

July 26, 2000

Honorable Italo Cappabianca  
House of Representatives  
House Post Office  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

RE: Erie Area Convention and Visitors Bureau

Dear Representative Cappabianca:

Our office is in receipt of your letter of support for the applicant referenced above. Thank you for expressing your endorsement of their activities and their request for funding from the Department of Community and Economic Development.

Please be assured that this application will receive all due consideration during the review process. When our review is complete, and if a favorable determination is made, our office will notify you accordingly.

As DCED reviews applications, the department appreciates support and endorsement such as yours. Again, thank you for taking the time to write in this regard.

Sincerely,

Chris Lammando, Director  
Office of Legislative Affairs

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Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Rachel Carson State Office Building  
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March 16, 2000

**Office of Conservation and  
Engineering Services**

The Honorable Italo S. Cappabianca  
House of Representatives  
House Post Office Box 202020  
Harrisburg, PA 17120-2020

Dear Representative Cappabianca:

I am writing to inform you that Governor Tom Ridge and the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) are announcing a Community Recreation Grant in your legislative district for the project identified on the enclosed summary sheet. This grant is being provided through the Department's Community Conservation Partnership Initiative with financial assistance from the Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation Fund Program. The summary sheet includes the name, address and telephone number of the local project coordinator being notified of the grant award.

The Keystone Community Recreation Grant Program is administered by DCNR's Bureau of Recreation and Conservation to provide financial assistance to local governments for the planning, acquisition and development of park, recreation and conservation areas. If you have any questions about this Community Recreation Grant, please contact our Bureau of Recreation and Conservation at 717-783-4734.

The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources is pleased to provide this assistance to one of your constituent municipalities and to partner in a local initiative to improve the quality of life in your district. Thank you for your continued support of the Keystone programs.

Sincerely,

Richard Sprenkle  
Deputy Secretary for  
Conservation and Engineering Services

Enclosure



**Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development**  
Office of Legislative Affairs

February 15, 2000

Honorable Italo Cappabianca  
House of Representatives  
House Post Office  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

RE: Lake Erie Arboretum at Frontier Park

Dear Representative Cappabianca:

Our office is in receipt of your letter of support for the applicant referenced above. Thank you for expressing your endorsement of their activities and their request for funding from the Department of Community and Economic Development.

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Chris Lammando, Director  
Office of Legislative Affairs



**Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development**  
Office of Secretary

April 28, 1999

Honorable Itala Cappabianca  
House of Representatives  
House Post Office  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

RE: Lake Erie Arboretum

Dear Representative Cappabianca:

Our office is in receipt of your letter of support for the applicant referenced above. Thank you for expressing your endorsement of their activities and their request for funding from the Department of Community and Economic Development.

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Sincerely,

Heather S. Bittenbender, Director  
Office of Legislative Affairs

ITALO S. CAPPABIANCA  
STATE REPRESENTATIVE

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LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH ANALYST

April 23, 1999

Samuel McCullough  
Secretary, Community and Economic Development  
433 Forum Building  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Secretary McCullough,

I've recently learned that the Lake Erie Arboretum at Frontier Park is seeking a Department grant to pursue development of a multi-faceted outdoor park complex designed to provide educational and recreational opportunities for Erie area residents of all ages.

Among the attractions envisioned by the planners of this project are: installations of public rest rooms, water fountains, safe walkways, and site lighting for safety and security purposes; a covered natural gazebo site for small gatherings, and for rest and relaxation amid attractive surroundings; an outdoor ice skating rink; and benches, tables, and trash receptacles for picnics and similar outings for the young and old, alike.

Many other attractions and improvements to the infrastructure at the Frontier Park area site are also planned, and all of these are detailed in the proposal being submitted by the Lake Erie Arboretum organization seeking funding support for this ambitious venture.

The intent of this letter is, rather, to extend my support for this splendid and well-planned proposal and to ask that it be accorded every favorable consideration possible at this time.

I believe that, if and when, this project reaches fruition, the complex will be a diversified resource for all area residents, as well as a major tourist attraction. Thus, it will impact favorably on both community development and economic growth; both of which are priorities for every community in our state.

Thank you for your time and attention to this letter of support.

Sincerely,

Second Legislative District

**ITALO S. CAPPABIANCA**  
STATE REPRESENTATIVE

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LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH ANALYST

March 15, 1999

Samuel McCullough, Secretary  
Department of Community and Economic Development  
433 Forum Building  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Secretary McCullough:

I've recently learned that a local organization called "LEAF" is seeking a department grant to pursue a project that is as impressive and it is promising.

Lake Erie Arboretum at Frontier Park has focused on the compelling objective of beautification of the project area and educational and recreational benefits for all area residents, especially the youth.

Certainly, I can lend my endorsement to this effort without hesitation. I understand that grant funds sought from the Department will be fully utilized in providing public restrooms, water fountains, a natural amphitheater, an information kiosk, an outdoor ice skating rink, outdoors site furniture and strategically located site lighting to help ensure maximum security the year round.

Other project objectives have already been addressed, and completed, and some are on the drawing board for future attention. Clearly, the LEAF organization – comprised of outstanding area residents, and supported by many local officials, has set an ambitious challenge for itself. Its track record to date has been keenly impressive, and LEAF merits every support and favorable consideration your office can extend at this time.

Samuel McCullough, Secretary  
Department of Community and Economic Development  
March 15, 1999  
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I will appreciate such consideration, and am confident that awarding the grant to LEAF will prove to be a wise decision that will also support the objectives of the Department in various ways.

Sincerely,

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Italo S. Cappabianca

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Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

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April 22, 1999

**Office of Conservation and  
Engineering Services**

The Honorable Italo S. Cappabianca  
House of Representatives  
House Post Office Box 202020  
Harrisburg, PA 17120-2020

Dear Representative Cappabianca:

I am writing to inform you that Governor Tom Ridge and the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) are announcing a grant award in your legislative district from the Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation (Keystone) Fund . The grant is under the Keystone Community Grant Program for the project identified on the enclosed summary sheet. The summary sheet also includes the name, address and telephone number of the local project coordinator being notified of the grant award.

The Keystone Community Grant Program is administered by DCNR's Bureau of Recreation and Conservation, and is the Commonwealth's primary source of financial assistance to local governments for the planning, acquisition and development of park, recreation and conservation areas. It is also a principal component of the Governor's Community Conservation Partnership Initiative.

The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources is pleased to provide this assistance to one of your constituent municipalities and to partner in a local initiative to improve the quality of life in your district. If you have any questions about this Keystone Community Grant, please contact the Director of the Bureau of Recreation and Conservation, Larry Williamson, at 717-783-2656. Thank you for your continued support of the Keystone programs.

Sincerely,

Richard G. Sprenkle  
Deputy Secretary for  
Conservation and Engineering Services

Enclosure

Stewardship

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Service

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LYNN SLABICKI  
RESEARCH ANALYST

December 15, 1998

Honorable H. William DeWeese  
Democratic Leader  
423 Main Capitol Building  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Bill:

I am writing in response to your December 10, 1998, letter requesting my capital projects. I would like the following included as my priority for Erie:

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|----|----------------------------|---------------|
| 1. | Erie Train Station         | \$1.4 Million |
| 2. | Erie International Airport | \$4 Million   |

If you have any questions concerning the above, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Italo S. Cappabianca

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
HARRISBURG

December 10, 1998

The Honorable Italo S. Cappabianca  
House Post Office

Dear Italo:

Re: Capital Projects

As you know, Governor Ridge has made a legislative solution for professional sports facilities his top priority. As your leadership team for the next session, we have steadfastly pursued and maintained a continuing dialog with the Ridge Administration and the House Republican Leadership on the stadium issue and the concerns of the entire Democratic Caucus. Simply said, we have been negotiating with the Ridge Administration and the House Republican Leadership since November 24, 1998.


In order to continue to advance the common interests of our 99-member caucus, it is imperative our leadership team be able to speak in our collective behalf. Therefore, we respectfully request that you share initially and directly with us those matters you would like presented to the Administration in conversation, dialogue or by request.

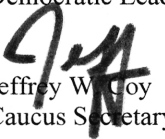
We need each other for our effort to negotiate aggressively with the Governor. Credibility as a Caucus will produce success as a Caucus. It is essential we now establish our unified character for the 1999-2000 session. The Governor's declared stadium priority provides us a long awaited opportunity to set aside internal differences and support one another.

Help us make the most of this opportunity to put the past behind us and reassemble our Caucus as one voice. If we are to have a new beginning, it will require the steady commitment of each of us.

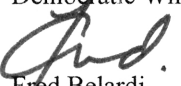
We look forward to hearing from you and blending your concerns into our negotiations in behalf of the House Democratic Caucus.

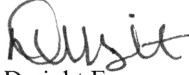
Sincerely,


  
H. William DeWeese  
Democratic Leader


  
Jeffrey W. Coy  
Caucus Secretary

  
Michael R. Veon  
Democratic Whip

  
Fred Belardi  
Caucus Administrator

  
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Caucus Policy Chair

cc: District Office