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The Honorable Michael S. Regan
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Administrator Regan:

I am pleased to write in support of the application submitted by Trinity Alliance of the Capital Region to the EPA's Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grant.

Climate and Health Resilience Equity Project grant. This project proposal seeks to interweave a diverse array of climate-resilient and public health solutions for marginalized Albany, New York, communities that have faced legacy pollution and disproportionate health burdens.

The ALL(bany) Together project is a multifaceted collaboration of eight partner agencies, with lead applicant Trinity Alliance of the Capital Region constructing the Southern Community Resilience Hub. The Underground Railroad Education Center in Albany will construct the Northern Community Resilience Hub. Both hubs will be sustainable emergency shelters, able to maintain power, provide food and water and implement emergency response plans. The partnering agencies will facilitate programs to implement home improvements and community education programs and expand clean energy workforce development opportunities in these underserved communities.

The ALL(bany) Together project will comprehensively address longstanding problems in Albany's historically disenfranchised neighborhoods. These partnering agencies are presenting long-lasting solutions to improve the lives of thousands who have suffered under persistent and generational disinvestment worsened by climate change.

I applaud Trinity Alliance of the Capital Region for its foresight and hope its application for funding meets with your approval. Please do not hesitate to contact me or my Grants Coordinator in my Washington, DC office at 202-224-6542.

Sincerely,



Charles E. Schumer
United States Senator