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May 15, 2020

Mayor Linda Jackson
Village of Endicott
1009 E Main St
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Dear Mayor:

Throughout my time in public office, my priority has always been listening to the people I represent and making sure their interests and concerns are heard, especially by those making important decisions that could affect my constituents' daily lives.

The proposed Endicott Battery Recycling Facility has caused some community members within this historic village to become uneasy and apprehensive, justifiably so based on all that has happened with IBM.

The people on the northside of Endicott have raised valid concerns and it has become abundantly clear that our shared constituency has serious reservations about this proposed recycling facility including the health and safety risk.

While I've been supportive of this project based on the information I've previously received from Empire State Development, the Department of Environmental Conservation, and Binghamton University's growing NorthEast Center for Chemical Energy Storage, that doesn't invalidate the dozens of inquiries I've received from concerned residents who have unresolved and legitimate questions that deserve to be answered.

In my humble opinion, before any formal decisions are made by the Village Board regarding the approval or disapproval of this project, I believe it'd be prudent to hear all sides of the argument and make sure our constituents' perspectives are being taken into consideration.

I appreciate your attention to this matter.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fred".

Frederick J. Akshar II
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CC: County Legislator Matthew J. Pasquale, District 7