

INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF ASHAROKEN

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Honorable Dr. William Spencer Suffolk County Legislator 15 Park Circle Centerport, NY 11721

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Dear Dr. Spencer:

As you know the Village of Asharoken is working with the USACOE to create a plan to restore the Long Island Sound Beach. One of the benefits of this project will be to protect Asharoken Avenue, the only road to Eaton's Neck. There is a significant public benefit for the residents of Suffolk County and the Town of Huntington that is derived from protecting the road. But to this point the entire financial burden of paying for the project is being placed in the lap of the Village.

Asharoken is a small community with about 300 homes and 625 residents. The local cost share for the Village for the initial construction will be over \$2,000,000. Additionally, more funds will need to be reserved to pay for future re-nourishments of the beach. Needless to say this is a very substantial financial hardship to place on the Village.

I am writing today to request your assistance to work with the Village to do all you can to get Suffolk County to become a co-sponsor of the project and share in the cost of the project. The restoration of the beach is a very important project and Suffolk's assistance would go a long way toward making it a reality. I look forward to discussing how we can move forward.

Sincerely:

Dr. Gregory Letica

Mayor Village of Asharoken