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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my strong support for the Town of Irondequoit's NY Forward Grant Application, which seeks \$4.5 million to revitalize the Titus Avenue corridor and surrounding areas. This project is vital to transforming the hub of Irondequoit into a vibrant, walkable downtown area that will attract residents and visitors alike, offering expanded retail and entertainment options.

The projects outlined in the Application will focus on key areas, including:

- **Infill of vacant parcels** to increase commercial density, fostering a dynamic commercial corridor and encouraging local business growth.
- Enhancing pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure to create a safer, more accessible environment for residents and visitors, especially at critical intersections.
- **Park improvements** to ensure accessibility and encourage multigenerational use, providing more inclusive and inviting public spaces.
- **Façade renovations and beautification efforts** to improve the aesthetic appeal and overall atmosphere of the area.

Irondequoit is a wonderful community where people of all ages can live, work, and thrive. These projects will significantly enhance the Town's quality of life, supporting local businesses, improving public spaces, and making Irondequoit a more attractive destination for both residents and visitors.

I fully support this revitalization initiative. The NY Forward grant will be instrumental in shaping Irondequoit's future, creating long-lasting positive impacts for generations to come.

Please feel free to reach out if I can be of any further assistance throughout this process.

Sincerely,

Jach Sawhart

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