

Erie County Legislature

HON. JOHN J. MILLS LEGISLATOR

April 22, 2022

Supervisor John M. Tobia PO Box 2 North Collins, NY 14111

Dear Supervisor Tobia,

Re: Erie County Storefront Revitalization Program

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Recently my colleagues and I at the Eric County Legislature approved the Eric County Storefront Revitalization Program in an effort to help qualifying businesses make improvements and upgrades to their exterior facades.

This program will provide grants of up to \$40,000 to approximately 250 eligible small businesses throughout Erie County. The program includes architects and construction companies to design and complete the work at selected businesses. If selected, a qualifying business would receive facade upgrades, and the county would fund the design and construction costs through the grant program.

Small businesses are the economic engine of our local economy, and they have experienced significant obstacles over the last two and half years. I hope you will help me promote this program to the local business community, which could provide selected businesses the opportunity to enhance their curb appeal and increase customer interest in their businesses.

In anticipation of the program launch anticipated in early May, I am compiling a list of interested businesses to forward the details to as soon as they are released. Please direct interested parties to call my office at (716) 858-8850 or email at <u>John.Mills@erie.gov</u>.

Sincerely.

Hon. John J. Mills
Erie County Legislator

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