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Commissioner Ken Arnold
Nassau County Dept. of Public Works
1194 Prospect Avenue
Westbury, NY 11590

Dr. Lawrence Eisenstein, Commissioner
Nassau County Health Department
200 County Seat Drive
Mineola, NY 11501

Dear Commissioner Ken Arnold,

I am writing on behalf of the residents of the apartment complex at 1888 Foster Meadow Lane ("the complex"), Elmont.

I personally observed a partially ajar storm water drain belonging to Nassau County, located behind the complex, overflow during a recent rainstorm. This overflow of the pipe has caused flooding to the grounds and basement of the complex. Residents report that this has happened numerous times, causing problems to the complex and the grounds. Residents are concerned that continuous flooding may cause serious problems to the complex. Residents state that the flooding has gotten worse recently, possibly caused by a problem with the pipe or the system. Attached are photos of the pipe, exterior of the building during a recent storm, and the complex when not flooded, for your records.

Further, residents are concerned with potential contaminants that may be in the water overflowing from the pipe. As you can see from the photos, the areas where flooding has occurred have been stained a light brown color. As the complex is located in close proximity to Belmont Park, residents and I are worried that potential pollutants and other materials from the horses and grounds of Belmont Park may be responsible for the discoloration. Given the death earlier this year at Belmont Park due to the Hantavirus, this is a potential health concern for the residents of the complex.

Therefore, residents and I respectfully request that Nassau County DPW take immediate action to investigate the flooding at this pipe, and take all necessary steps to alleviate flooding at this location during heavy rains. Further, I request that water from this pipe be tested by the Health Department for any potential contaminants at this location.

Thank you for your anticipated courtesy and cooperation. Please keep me advised as to the status of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carrié Solages".

Nassau County Legislator, 3rd District
attachments

cc: Laura Curran, County Executive
Mike Santeramo, Director of Government Affairs
Councilman Edward Ambrosino, Town of Hempstead