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17 Berncliffe Avenue

April 23, 1974

Hon. Malcolm Wilson
Governor, State of New York
Capitol
Albany, N.Y.

Re: S. 8923-A
A. 10773-A

Dear Governor Wilson:

I am writing this letter at the request of my son, Timothy Cohan, who lives in the Krumkill Drainage Basin Improvement Area.

This bill provides for the dissolution of three improvement areas and the creation of a consolidated improvement area.

When districts are to be consolidated the law provides that the proposition for consolidation shall require for its adoption the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon in each district affected. (Town Law, Section 206). This is only fair and just to the people in each of the districts.

I submit that this Bill for the consolidation of the three improvement areas should follow the procedure in Section 206 of the Town Law for the consolidation of districts and give the people in each of the three improvement areas the opportunity to decide if they want to be consolidated.

I was in charge of districts in the office of the State Comptroller for a number of years and always made sure when districts were to be consolidated that the people in each of the districts to be consolidated were given the opportunity to vote on the proposition to dissolve their district.

Sincerely,

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17 Berncliffe Avenue

April 24, 1974

Hon. Malcolm Wilson
Governor, State of New York
Capitol
Albany, N.Y.

Re: S. 8923-A
A. 10773-A

Dear Governor Wilson:

I am enclosing a copy of my letter to you of April 23, 1974, concerning S. 8923-A and A. 10773-A.

I have just discovered how serious this Bill is to the people in the Krumkill Drainage Basin Improvement Area. This Area is tied in to the Albany County Sewer District and the people must pay for this service.

A new costly sewage treatment plant is being built to take care of Normanskill Sanitary Improvement Area and ~~Woodlake Sanitary Improvement Area~~. This treatment plant is in another drainage area and cannot serve the people in the Krumkill Drainage Basin Area. If the three Areas are consolidated as the Bill proposes it will mean that the people in the Krumkill Area will be forced to pay for a treatment plant that will never serve them.

I think you will agree that the people in the Krumkill Area should be given the opportunity to decide if they want their Area dissolved and then consolidated with the Normanskill, and ~~Woodlake Areas~~. It is not fair to them to have their vote combined with those of the other two Areas. to determine the question of dissolution and consolidation.

This Bill should provide that the proposition for consolidation shall require for its adoption the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon in each Area affected. This would accord with Section 206, Town Law, for the consolidation of districts. There is no difference between an improvement area and a district so far as consolidation is concerned.

Sincerely,