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Dear _____:

As a resident of (insert NASSAU COUNTY and/or TOWN OF OYSTER BAY), I am writing to express my support for Community Housing Innovations' (CHI) transitional housing project in Jericho – the Jericho Family Support Center, located at 120 Jericho Turnpike in the former Hampton Inn Hotel.

During these unprecedented times, it is important now more than ever to provide support for our community members who are vulnerable. It is Nassau County's responsibility to help provide residents who have been displaced with a safe environment to reside during their time of need.

CHI's transitional housing provides families with the opportunity to succeed and get back on their feet. CHI provides "Independent Living Plans" for the homeless, executed between case manager and client, committing both to taking defined steps toward improving health, completing education, obtaining a job and of course, quickly finding permanent housing.

CHI introduces a caring and compassionate environment, one that recognizes the terrible trauma that homelessness places on parents and their children. It counters the learned helplessness and despair that accompanies this condition. CHI's services include access to childcare, vocational resources and health care, along with budgeting and linkages to resources in the community.

I implore you to support the efforts put forth by this organization, so we can all help those who are most in need. The COVID-19 pandemic has left many families displaced, scared and unsure of what the future will hold. Nassau County and CHI have the ability to give these families a safe place to lay their heads at night and the services they need to get their lives back on track. **Now is not the time to turn our backs on our vulnerable friends and neighbors.**

Thank you for your time and consideration. I hope I have encouraged you to support the Jericho Family Support Center and ultimately to help our local community.

Thank you,

(INSERT NAME)