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Gary Christenson, Mayor

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Malden City Council
215 Pleasant Street
Malden, MA 02148

Dear Members of the City Council:

I write to ask for the City Council's support to fund the attached project for Kierstead and Tartikoff Parks presented to me by the Community Preservation Committee (CPC). In reaching their decision, the CPC found that the project meets eligibility requirements and aligns with the priorities stated in Malden's Community Preservation Plan. This project was also the subject of a Public Hearing of the CPC held on August 12, 2020.

The vital role that our open space and recreational assets play has become even more evident during the current health crisis and this project will greatly benefit our community. This request is for \$30,000 of Community Preservation Act funds for the planning and design in revitalizing both Kierstead and Tartikoff Parks. I am attaching the CPC's project description which describes this as the first step in undertaking much needed capital improvements. Councillors Neal Anderson and Steve Winslow have committed to working with the community to garner input from the neighborhood in creating the design.

Attached is the official appropriation request and please let me know if you have any questions. In the meantime, please join me in thanking the members of the Community Preservation Committee for their continued hard work and dedication. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

GARY CHRISTENSON
Mayor, City of Malden