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May 12, 2020

The Malden City Council Attn: Jadeane Sica, President 110 Pleasant Street Malden, MA 02148

**Dear President Sica:** 

I write to ask for the City Council's support to fully fund the six (6) projects presented to me by the Community Preservation Committee (CPC). These projects were also the subject of the Public Hearing held this past Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.

Before I speak to the projects themselves, let me first take the opportunity to thank the volunteers of the CPC for their hard work and dedication. I appreciate their commitment to not only review the many proposals presented to them over the past year, but to also address the urgent matters recently brought before them during these challenging times.

Three of the projects include improvements and upgrades to our open space and recreational assets. The vital role that these community resources play has become even more evident during the current crisis and these projects will greatly benefit our community. The remaining three (3) projects focus on critical services especially now given the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. It will be organizations like the Bread of Life and services like rental assistance and help with security deposits that will support families who are struggling during these unprecedented economic times.

Attached you will find 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. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

GARY CHRISTENSON Mayor, City of Malden

110 Pleasant Street, Malden, MA 02148 | Phone: 781-397-7000 Ext. 2001 | <u>info@cityofmalden.org</u> Strong Past... Proud Fature • ORDERED: That the appropriations enumerated below, being in the amount of \$1,287,474 (One Million Two Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars) be appropriated from the Community Preservation Act Fund for the following projects:

Under One Roof	\$512,474	from budgeted reserve account
Start Secure (Security Deposit Program)	\$100,000	from budgeted reserve account
Rental Assistance Fund	\$250,000	from budgeted reserve account
Devir Park Revitalization (Design Phase)	\$50,000	from budgeted reserve account
Spot Pond Brook Greenway (Design Phase)	\$150,000	from budgeted reserve account
Trafton Park (Phase One Construction)	\$225,000	from budgeted reserve account

Total Appropriations = \$1,287,474