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R.E. Rapp Road Residential/Western Avenue Mixed Use Redevelopment Project

Dear Mr. Kenneth Kovalchik,

My name is Samuel Brumsey, Assistant Director of Operations for The Salvation Army of Albany, located at 20 South Ferry Street, in downtown Albany, New York. I am writing to you and the Town of Guilderland to support Crossgates, and their project to expand through Rapp Road and Western Avenue.

Crossgates has been essential in our mission to do the most good in the community. For years now, Crossgates has allowed The Salvation Army to ring their bells during the annual Christmas Red Kettle Campaign, was the host of our Red Kettle Kick Off for several years, as well as set up tables to collect toy donations for children in need, and we could not be more grateful for their contributions to our cause.

The hub of our community known as Crossgates has selflessly promoted and supported many Not for Profits in the community and brought awareness to The Salvation Army's mission each year. We look forward to expansions and opportunities for the mall's new project, during times where we need to keep up with a society that primarily shops online, and hope that through these new prospects, we hope to see more involvement and attention brought to The Salvation Army. We really could not do the most good without outstanding community partners such as Crossgates and support their advances in expanding and developing to improve opportunities for the Greater Capital Region.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Samuel Brumsey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

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