



Dear Residents,

Local control is an essential element of Village government. It ensures that development in a given community is overseen and receives input from those who know their community the most. Unfortunately, this common-sense approach is under attack due to Governor Kathy Hochul's sweeping housing plan recently announced in her State of the State address and reaffirmed in her state budget proposal.

The plan, which calls for an arbitrary, inflated number of 800,000 new housing units across the state, would most importantly diminish the Board of Trustees power to oversee new development in our own Village. Additionally, the plan calls for a 3% increase in housing downstate and only 1% upstate. This flawed approach would strongarm communities like the Incorporated Village of New Hyde Park into development decisions that make no sense for them.

This proposal lacks any nuance or concern for the existing fabrics of the communities it will affect. It ignores key components such as existing infrastructure and mass transit access. In short, forcing this legislation on communities like the Incorporated Village of New Hyde Park could have disastrous consequences.

We write today to ensure you that the Village Board vehemently opposes this housing plan and will do everything it can to fight back against Albany. It is important all levels of government in our region to form a bipartisan showing of force to push back against Governor Hochul's attack on local control.

We encourage all of our residents to contact our local state representatives to respectfully voice their concerns and displeasure with Governor Hochul's housing plan. You can send a message directly to Governor Hochul at <https://www.governor.ny.gov/content/governor-contact-form> or by calling 518-474-8390 or 212-681-4580.

For your convenience, listed here are our local state representatives that we encourage you to contact:

Senator Jack Martins
martins@nysenate.gov
516-922-1811

Assemblyman Edward P. Ra
rae@nyassembly.gov
516-535-4095

Together, our voices will be heard loud and clear.
Sincerely,

The Board of Trustees
Village of New Hyde Park