

## THE ASSEMBLY STATE OF NEW YORK ALBANY

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Jason Sacket, President PathStone Development Corporation 400 East Avenue Rochester, NY, 14607

**RE**: Deerfield Apartments

Dear Jason,

I am writing to express my support for the Deerfield Apartments development. This transformative project will create 65 affordable housing units, including 19 one-bedroom, 27 two-bedroom, and 19 three-bedroom apartments, all aimed at serving households earning up to 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI). Importantly, it will also include an on-site childcare facility, which will greatly benefit students, staff, and workers at nearby SUNY Polytechnic Institute and Wolfspeed, making it a crucial resource for our community.

As a member of the Committee on Higher Education, I have seen firsthand the challenges that students and faculty face when it comes to finding affordable housing near their institutions. The Deerfield Apartments development will provide critical housing opportunities for them, ensuring that they can stay close to their academic and professional commitments without being burdened by long commutes or costly rent. The project is particularly beneficial for students and families who are in need of secure housing that fits within their budget, allowing them to focus on their studies and careers.

Additionally, as a member of the Legislative Women's Caucus and the Task Force on Women's Issues, I understand how crucial access to affordable housing and childcare is for working parents, especially women. This development will provide working mothers and fathers with the flexibility they need to balance family and work obligations, ultimately fostering economic stability and growth for our families.

By creating much-needed housing, supporting local employment, and improving the quality of life for working families, this development will have long-lasting, positive effects. I look forward to seeing this important project come to life. It will have a lasting impact on our community and its residents for many years to come.

Sincerely,

Marianne Buttenschon

Assembly Member 119th District

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