



COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

July 7, 2015

MARCUS J. MOLINARO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Meghan Taylor
Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council
33 Airport Center Drive
New Windsor, NY 12553

Dear Ms. Taylor: *Meghan*

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Bellefield at Hyde Park will benefit residents of Dutchess County, the Mid-Hudson Valley and New York State for decades to come. As County Executive of Dutchess County, I support the stance that we must continue to work together to mold consensus and lead collaboratively. Through economic advancement initiatives such as this one, we are making certain Dutchess County remains a great place to live, work and raise a family. Please consider our strong support for this project.

Sincerely,

Marcus J. Molinaro, County Executive
Dutchess County



Historic Town of Hyde Park

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Aileen Rohr, Town Supervisor

"Working with you for a better Hyde Park"

July 10, 2015

Ms. Meghan Taylor
ESD Mid-Hudson Regional Director
33 Airport Center Drive - #201
New Windsor, NY 12553

RE: T-Rex Capital Group Consolidated Funding Application for Bellefield at Hyde Park

Dear Ms. Taylor,

As Supervisor of the Town of Hyde Park, I strongly support projects that build and expand our current position as a center for tourism in Dutchess County.

The Town of Hyde Park offers one of the most valuable historic and tourist settings in the State of New York. We are the home to the FDR Home and Library, Val-kill and the Culinary Institute, as well as the Vanderbilt Historic Site and attract over 500,000 visitors annually.

Our Comprehensive Plan articulates the desire to encourage the development of our tourism industry, and identifies the Bellefield District as an area to focus this development. A Planned Development District was created to foster development that would include a mixture of uses to promote tourism-related business in this area.

As Supervisor, I strongly support applications to the CFA to develop the tourism industry at this location and look forward to working with the current developer to attain the goals in our Comprehensive Plan.

Very truly yours,

Aileen Rohr
Town Supervisor



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Empire State Development Corporation

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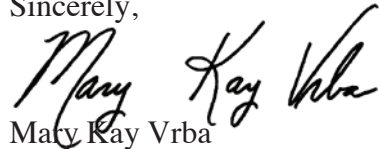
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Bellefield at Hyde Park will benefit residents of Dutchess County, the Mid-Hudson Valley and New York State for decades to come. Tourism has a significant economic impact in Dutchess County, the leading county in the region. Here in Dutchess County, we welcome 4.3 million visitors annually, who spend \$508 million on lodging, food, shopping and area attractions. Tourism is one of our strongholds; it's one industry that will never be outsourced. The most rewarding part of my occupation is working with all the great businesses and partners in the Dutchess County and Hudson Valley communities. The quality of this planned destination will bring new types of visitors and demographics to the Dutchess County region, encouraging cultural diversity and enrichment to flourish.

Through tourism advancement initiatives such as this one, we will have additional assets to encourage tourists and travelers of many backgrounds to discover and explore the Hudson Valley, effectively promoting the region as a highlight destination for all to enjoy. Please consider our strong support for this project. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (845)463-5445 or at mkv@dutchesstourism.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Mary Kay Vrba". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Mary Kay Vrba
President & CEO
Dutchess Tourism, Inc.

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July 15, 2015

Meghan Taylor
Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council
33 Airport Center Drive
New Windsor, NY 12533

Dear Ms. Taylor:

As an active member of the NYS Senate's Committee on Cultural Affairs, Tourism, Parks and Recreation, I place incredible value on initiatives that have true potential to draw visitors and boost local economies in the Hudson Valley. The Bellefield project presents a tremendous opportunity to do just that and I am in full support of their request for funding via the Consolidated Funding Application.

By creating a multi-faceted hospitality and tourism destination in the heart of the Hudson Valley, the Bellefield project has the potential to not only provide an immediate boon to the local economy, but to continue to advance its growth for years to come. Bringing upscale amenities and services to an area devoid of such attractions will add incredible value, ultimately benefiting both visitors and residents alike.

As I am sure you are aware, Dutchess County is incredibly fortunate to be home to the Culinary Institute of America (CIA)—a first-rate institution that draws students and visitors from around the world. For many, visiting the CIA is about more than a meal, it is about the experience. Being located directly across Rt 9 from the CIA, Bellefield at Hyde Park will allow visitors and community members to expand upon that unique experience, providing further draw directly to our area.

The Bellefield project is a product of genuine vision and has the potential to take our area to the next level where tourism is concerned. I sincerely hope that you will look favorably upon their application. I thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sue Serino". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Sue Serino
State Senator 41st District



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July 9, 2015

Meghan Taylor

Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council
Empire State Development Corporation

Dear Ms. Taylor:

I confidently support T-Rex Capital Group's request for funding via the Consolidated Funding Application to develop Bellefield at Hyde Park. When completed, the \$94.6 million Bellefield project will create a world-class, multi-functional hospitality and tourism destination. The project will consist of two hotels with a total of 250 guest rooms, a 15,000-square-foot conference center, restaurant and a 15,000-square-foot spa, right across the street from the Culinary Institute of America (CIA). As head of Hudson Valley Tourism and Director of Tourism for neighboring Ulster County, I believe this project will bring a great return on investment to the Hudson Valley, positively impacting regional tourism revenues and statewide initiatives toward economic growth and development.

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Thomas Mulroy and T-Rex Capital Group plan to transform a vacant, underutilized strip of property along Route 9 in Hyde Park into a remarkable world-class attraction worthy of its unique location at the doorstep of the CIA and the gateway to northern Dutchess County.

Bellefield at Hyde Park will benefit residents of Dutchess County, the Hudson Valley and New York State for decades to come. Tourism has a significant economic impact in the Hudson Valley, one of National Geographic's top 20 must-see destinations in the world. Here in Hudson Valley, we welcome visitors from all walks of life, who spend roughly \$4.75 billion in the Hudson River Valley, creating more than 81,000 direct jobs and generating about \$318 million in local taxes benefiting small towns and larger cities in our area. The quality of this planned destination will bring new types of visitors and demographics to the Hudson Valley region, encouraging cultural diversity and enrichment to flourish.

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Richard J. Remsnyder
President, Hudson Valley Tourism



July 14, 2015

Meghan Taylor
Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council
22 Airport Center Drive
New Windsor, NY 12533

Dear Meghan,

I would like to express strong support on behalf of the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce for T-Rex Capital Group's funding request through a Consolidated Funding Application to develop Bellefield in Hyde Park.

The \$94.6 million project planned across Route 9 from the Culinary Institute of America will multiply the tourist dollars entering our region and complement the Culinary Institute by providing upscale amenities – including two hotels and a 15,000-square-foot spa – presently lacking in the area. The plan also includes a restaurant, 48,000 square feet of retail space and 48,000 square feet of loft apartments as well as an on-site sewage treatment plant to serve the development's needs.

Utilizing a presently underdeveloped parcel of land, the project will expand the mid-Hudson Valley's reputation as a world-class tourist destination. Equally critical to our region's economic health, it will bring around 370 full-time equivalent jobs to an area that badly needs them.

Thomas Mulroy and T-Rex Capital Group have extensive experience bringing complex projects like this one to fruition, and I'm confident they will do great work transforming this exciting vision into a rewarding reality for the Hudson Valley.

For these reasons, the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce wholeheartedly endorses the project and recommends approval of the necessary funding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Frank M. Castella Jr.".

Frank Castella Jr.
President and CEO
Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce

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July 7, 2015

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Sincerely,

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Laurence P. Gottlieb
President & CEO



Dutchess County Economic Development Corporation

July 16, 2015

Ms. Meghan Taylor
Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council
Empire State Development Corporation

Dear Ms. Taylor:

On behalf of the Dutchess County Economic Development Corporation (DCEDC), I profoundly support T-Rex Capital Group's request for funding via the Consolidated Funding Application to develop Bellefield at Hyde Park. When completed, the \$94.6 million Bellefield project will create a world-class, multi-faceted hospitality and tourism destination that will perfectly complement the world-renowned Culinary Institute of America (CIA) in Hyde Park. The project will consist of two hotels with a total of 250 guest rooms, a 15,000-square-foot conference center, a restaurant and a 15,000-square-foot spa. It will also include 48,000 square feet of retail space and 48,000 square feet of loft apartments, creating a perfect blend of uses at this site, which has been vacant for far too long. This asset to Dutchess County will bring a great return on investment to our local economy, positively influencing regional and statewide initiatives toward economic growth and development. As Director of Business Attraction, I look forward to this exciting opportunity, further supporting DCEDC's vision of spurring job growth and economic development in this great county I've always called home.

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Sincerely,

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Edward A. Kellogg
Chairman of the Board

HUDSON RIVER VENTURES

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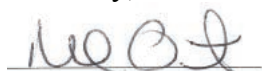
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Mike Oates, CEO
Hudson River Ventures



STEVEN M. NEUHAUS

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

July 10, 2015

Ms. Meghan Taylor
Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council
33 Airport Center Dr. #201
New Windsor, NY 12553

Dear Ms. Taylor,

I am writing in support of T-Rex Capital Group's request for funding from the Consolidated Funding Application to develop Bellefield at Hyde Park. This project can have a regional impact beyond County borders.

Promoting tourism is an important facet of my administration, and is one of the most efficient tools to grow local economies. Once completed, this \$94.6 million investment project will include the construction of two hotels, a 15,000 square foot conference center and 48,000 square feet of retail space. Approximately 370 full time equivalent jobs will be created, with some of them being filled with individuals from Orange County.

As Orange County Executive, I support this project and hope you will too as we continue to work collaboratively for the growth and prosperity of the Hudson Valley.

Sincerely,

Steven M. Neuhaus
County Executive

SMN/mcv

Breezy Hill Orchard and Cider Mill
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Meghan Taylor
Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council
Empire State Development Corporation

Dear Ms. Taylor:

I wholeheartedly endorse T-Rex Capital Group's request for funding via the Consolidated Funding Application to develop Bellefield at Hyde Park. When completed, the \$94.6 million Bellefield project will create a world class, multi-faceted hospitality and agritourism destination that will enhance the world-renowned Culinary Institute of America (CIA) in Hyde Park. The project will consist of two hotels with a total of 250 guest rooms, a 15,000-square-foot conference center, a restaurant, and a 15,000-square-foot spa. It will also include 48,000 square feet of retail space and 48,000 square feet of loft apartments. As a local farmer who has been following this project for decades, I was particularly pleased to see that T-Rex has a strong commitment to incorporating significant elements of food and farming on the site, including a small diversified farm and farm market as an amenity to the hotel and residents on site. There will certainly be many potential benefits to local growers directly and the opportunities to partner with culinary faculty, students and visitors are also significant and will support other local food enterprises.

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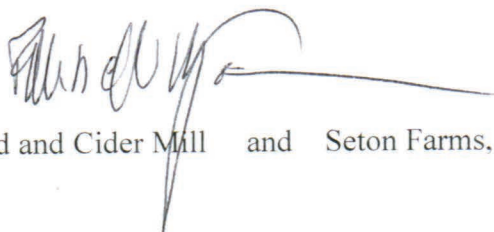
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Sincerely

Elizabeth Ryan

Breezy Hill Orchard and Cider Mill and Seton Farms, Inc





Franklin D. Roosevelt Library

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Mid-Hudson Regional Development Council
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Re: T-Rex Capital Group

Dear Ms. Taylor:

The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library is delighted to write concerning T-Rex Capital Group and its Bellfield Project in Hyde Park, New York.

As a federal agency, the Roosevelt Library cannot officially endorse projects or grant proposals by private organizations or other governmental agencies, but I can say that the proposed project is an important one for the tourism industry in the Hudson Valley, of which the Roosevelt Library is an integral part.

The Roosevelt Library is the first of the nation's thirteen presidential libraries. It was designed by FDR himself with the purpose of bringing together his papers, records, and collections so that the American people can gain a greater understanding of his life, the life of Eleanor Roosevelt, and the times in which they lived. The Library includes a world-class permanent exhibition space, temporary exhibition space, and a visitor center with multi-use event space. Annually, the Roosevelt Library plays host to nearly 200,000 visitors from around the world who take advantage of our museum galleries, research archives, and educational and public programming offerings.

A consistent refrain from our visitors is that Dutchess County, and Hyde Park in particular, lack adequate, comfortable hotel accommodations and dining and retail opportunities. The Bellefield project being developed by T-Rex Capital, with its 250 additional rooms of hotel space and other amenities, would be received favorably by visitors to the Roosevelt Library and would inspire them to spend more days—and therefore more tourism dollars—in the Hudson Valley area.

I hope this is helpful, and please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Bob Clark
Acting Director



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Sincerely,

Bob Dandrew
Director, Local Economies Project

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July 8, 2015

Meghan Taylor
Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council
Empire State Development Corporation

Dear Ms. Taylor:

I am very familiar with this site and area having at one time owned a farm in Red Hook nearby, for almost thirty years. The project seems an ideal way to capitalize on and promote economic growth in the county.

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June 4, 2015

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Ronald Hicks
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Dear Supervisor Rohr and Mr. Hicks:

I am writing pursuant to our continuing conversations with Tom Mulroy about incorporating a Hilton hotel as a central element of the first phase of T-Rex's Bellefield project in historic Hyde Park.

We have been very interested in the potential of this site, which is located at the center of Dutchess County's farm-to-table and historic tourism renaissance. We see a location at this site as fitting in nicely with our company's growth plans in the northeast.

In order for us to proceed to the next level of our specific planning, we would like to have a realistic understanding of the schedule for review and permitting to allow construction to commence.

We would be happy to attend a meeting with Tom Mulroy and yourselves to discuss the schedule for permitting and approvals to allow this project to move forward. We would be very interested in discussing the positive reasons supporting commitment of local agencies and the State of New York to bringing this valuable Hudson Valley project to fruition. We would also be happy to answer any questions about Hilton and its interest in the mid-Hudson Valley and this site.

Very truly yours,

cc: Thomas Mulroy, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, T-Rex Capital Group LLC





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June 5, 2015

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Dear Supervisor Rohr and Mr. Hicks,

Tom Mulroy has discussed with us his Bellefield project in Hyde Park. Specifically, we have discussed incorporating one or more hotels bearing Marriott brand names in Phase 1 of the project. Although the project remains subject to internal Marriott approvals, we have long targeted a hotel in close proximity to the Culinary Institute of America, and we believe Mr. Mulroy's project provides an excellent opportunity for Marriott International to place a hotel bearing its brand(s) in the Dutchess County market. We particularly appreciate the site's location near the Culinary Institute, other historic sites, and nearby colleges and tourism venues.

As we progress in our discussions with Mr. Mulroy, his team and Marriott would like to engage in discussions with you about the prospective planning horizon to complete reviews preliminary to construction. We and Mr. Mulroy would like to proceed to the next stages of development, and the requested information is key to our collective planning. Mr. Mulroy's team and our development team at Marriott would be happy to meet with you at your convenience to discuss our plans and to answer any questions you might have.

Yours sincerely,



Arne M. Sorenson

cc: Tom Mulroy
Tony Capuano
Noah Silverman
Eric Jacobs