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Honorable Carl E. Heastie
Speaker NYS Assembly
Room 932 LOB
Albany, NY 12224

Dear Speaker Heastie:

I would like to take this opportunity to communicate my concern on behalf of the municipalities in my district that are facing elimination of VLT Aid in this year's Executive Budget.

The City of Batavia is slated to lose \$440,789; the Town of Batavia \$160,388 and Genesee County \$200,392. The impact on these municipalities, along with others, will put a devastating financial hardship on our already overtaxed New York State citizens who continue to flee to other states.

Local officials and constituents in my district have reached out to me with their concerns. This proposal will have a huge impact on fire companies, police officers and other essential personnel who provide safety for our communities.

On behalf of all communities in jeopardy of losing this aid, I implore you to restore this funding. I'm sure you will agree that each and every New Yorker deserves to be safe in their communities.

Sincerely,

STEVE HAWLEY
139th Assembly District

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