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Dan Wenk
Acting Director
National Park Service
River Trails and Conservation Assistance Program
1849 C Street, NW Code 2220
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Mr. Wenk:

I am pleased to write in support of the application submitted by the Harlem River Working Group for funding under the *Trails and Conservation Assistance Program*. Such funding would enable Harlem River Group to improve access to and clean the Harlem River.

The Harlem River Working Group is a coordinated group of stakeholders pursuing the revitalization of the Harlem River. Emerging out of the Bronx Council for Environmental Quality, the Harlem River Working Group aims to clean the Harlem River and jumpstart river-related commercial activity.

With funding, the Harlem River Working Group will be able to clean the Harlem River, enhance waterfront access, and restore the vitality of the Harlem Riverfront area. I applaud the Harlem River Working Group for its foresight, and I hope the application for funding meets with your approval.

Thank you for your consideration. For additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me or my Grants Director, Grant Kerr, in my Washington office at 202.224.6542.

Sincerely,



Charles E. Schumer
United States Senator