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Mr. Eric Coppola
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Dear Mr. Coppola:

NYSDOT and AGC are pleased to recognize the contribution of Coppola Paving and Landscaping Corporation and NYSDOT Region 11 staff toward the achievement of construction program environmental quality goals.

During the construction of the Swindler's Cove/Sherman's Creek Park in the Borough of Manhattan, New York County (Contract D258613), Coppola Paving and Landscaping Corporation, the prime contractor, and regional staff have diligently addressed a wide variety of environmental issues in the replication of previously lost wetland areas and the development of a community park. Completion of this contract has transformed a litter strewn abandoned location into a spectacular community park. Coppola Paving and Landscaping Corporation partnered with a host of State, Local and community groups.

The recognition of this project is focused on the initiative displayed by all parties in recognizing an opportunity to not just meet environmental protection requirements, but also to provide an environmental enhancement. This accomplishment required recognition of the opportunity, the willingness to put in the extra effort to undertake the work, and the ability to work out the myriad details from engineering, contractual and environmental perspectives.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe B." with a stylized flourish at the end.

JOSEPH H. BOARDMAN
COMMISSIONER