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Statement by Senator John Bonacic and Assemblyman Kevin Cahill

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Announcing a Three Way Agreement on Flood Buyout Legislation in the Town of Wawarsing

We are very pleased to have reached an agreement with the Governor, Senate, and Assembly to include approximately \$4.5 million to buyout properties near the leaking aqueduct in the Town of Wawarsing. The funding we are placing in the budget, will help make life bearable again for the victims of this situation.

This day has been a long time coming, and has been a team effort. We encourage New York City to also assist these individuals, by providing moving costs to help them move, and to also match the State funding.

Nothing can give these individuals back the years they have suffered from the City's inaction, but hopefully this can help many impacted families move forward.

We look forward to Governor Cuomo's signing the budget into law which will contain this language and thank him for his efforts in working with us.

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