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## Senator Murphy A Driving Force Behind The Revitalization Of The Jefferson Valley Mall

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YORKTOWN, NY - Six years ago, when Terrence Murphy was serving as a Councilman, he and his fellow of the Yorktown Town Board envisioned a plan to revitalize the Jefferson Valley Mall. With the grand opening of Dick's Sporting Goods, that dream has become a reality.

"There were many naysayers who said this project was never going to happen. Through a

collaborative effort between Town Supervisor Grace, me and members of the Yorktown Town Board, we were able to deliver," said Senator Murphy. "The opening of this new mega store is important to Yorktown's economic development. The success of Dick's Sporting Goods will boost our local economy and mean more jobs for local residents."

"This has been in the planning stages for a long time. I am thrilled to see it happen," said Town Supervisor Michael Grace. Today marks the culmination of more than six years of hard work on behalf of the residents of Yorktown. Yorktown is moving in the right direction."

"By attracting businesses like Dick's Sporting Goods, we expect the Jefferson Valley Mall to once again become a driving economic force for Yorktown and the surrounding communities," said Yorktown Councilman Tom Diana. "The construction here at the Mall will not only spur the economic growth Yorktown needs, it will also reduce the tax burden on the residents of this town."

Westchester County Legislator John Testa stated, "It was a pleasure to join my friends in Yorktown as we cut the ribbon for the new Dick's Sporting Goods in the Jefferson Valley Mall. Construction of the mall's much needed redevelopment began just 14 months ago and now we can see tremendous progress with many new spaces. Congratulations to Supervisor Grace, the Town Board and Senator Murphy, who pushed for improvements to the mall when he was a Councilman."

"It is exciting to see this project beginning to show results," said Councilman Ed Lachterman. "The Jefferson Valley Mall was once known throughout the County as the place to shop. With the opening of this new Dick's Sporting Goods store and with more stores set to open, I am confident the mall will see a significant increase in business."

A capacity crowd of elected officials, members of the Mall's management, Dick's employees and enthusiastic shoppers were on hand for the grand opening. Ray Spooner, manager of the new store, beamed with pride when his daughter Nevaeh cut the ribbon. Among those in attendance were Westchester County Legislator John Testa and Yorktown Councilman Ed Lachterman.

The Jefferson Valley Mall has been a fixture in the Yorktown community for more than 30 years. Long in need of a cosmetic makeover, the opening of Dick's Sporting Goods is part of a \$60 million revitalization project. The planting and upgrading of a new lush landscaping is already underway. New mall entrances with re-stylized stone and decorative wood will give the mall a chic, ultra modern appearance. The food court will be renovated, with two new restaurants joining the roster of top notch culinary enterprises.

The project will be an economic boon for the entire region. This mall is conveniently located at the crux of Route 6 and the Taconic State Parkway, making it easily accessible as well as one of the most desirable destinations in the Hudson Valley.