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## Central Avenue Repaving Project to be Complete with Funds Secured by Senator Shelley Mayer

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On Wednesday, July 17th, officials gathered at Andrus Park to celebrate the repaving of Central Park Avenue in Yonkers with funds secured by State Senator Shelley Mayer. Senator Mayer, Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano, officials from the NYS Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), and other elected officials representing the City of Yonkers gathered to celebrate the repaving and provide the details of the project.

In 2017, Senator Mayer, then Assemblymember, secured \$1 million to repave a section of Central Avenue in Yonkers beginning just north of the NYS Thruway overpass northward to Stokes Road. Work on the Central Avenue Repaving Project began on June 3rd. Repaving consists of removing the existing surface and replacing it with new asphalt from curb to curb. Milling and paving are done from 9:00 PM to 6:00 AM, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting, and should be completed by July 19th. Additionally, the pedestrian sidewalk ramps will be improved with new or enhanced pedestrian signage. The entire project is set to be completed by mid-August.

**State Senator Shelley Mayer, Senate District 37**, said, “I am proud to have secured \$1 million in funding to repave a section of Central Avenue. Thank you to Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie for supporting this effort when I was in the Assembly, and to Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins for her continued commitment to our communities. Maintaining our local roads and highways is pivotal to the success of our communities and small businesses. Central Avenue is a major arterial roadway for Yonkers and Westchester residents and it is critical that we invest in improvements and repaving efforts. Thank you to Governor Andrew Cuomo for continued infrastructure investments, and to the NYS Department of Transportation and Mayor Mike Spano for being strong partners in completing this project.”

**NYS Department of Transportation Commissioner Marie Therese Dominguez** said, “Under Governor Cuomo’s leadership, New York State is making historic infrastructure investments, enhancing the sustainability of our roadways and spurring economic development in local communities. This project will help create a long-term transportation solution for both motorists and pedestrians in the City of Yonkers, improving the driving surface while accentuating safety for all users of the road.”

**Yonkers Mayor Mike Spano** said, “Central Avenue is a major thoroughfare in Yonkers and lower Westchester – the quality of this road is essential to the area’s quality of life and economy. Special thanks to Senator Shelley Mayer for securing the funds necessary to repave the road and improve traffic conditions.”

**Yonkers City Council President Mike Khader** said, “As Council President, my office receives dozens of calls per week of residents complaining about potholes and bumpy roads, so this initiative, though something relatively simple, is very exciting and will surely improve quality of life for Yonkers residents. Thank you to Senator Mayer for securing the money for this project. I am sure residents are looking forward to smoother rides on Central Avenue!”

**Assemblymember Nader Sayegh, District 90**, said, "Central Park Avenue is a major economic thoroughfare that has served the people of Yonkers and Westchester County for over half a century. Extreme weather conditions over the years have caused extensive deterioration to our roads, resulting in severe damage, like potholes which have caused extensive accidents and has wreaked havoc on our vehicles. Thanks to Senator Shelley Mayer's tireless advocacy, this vital economic corridor can continue to safely accommodate the hundreds of thousands of drivers that travel this widely used route annually."

Westchester County Legislator David Tubiolo, District 14, said, "Infrastructure is one of the primary responsibilities of government, being necessary for our commerce, convenience, transportation and overall well-being of society. Thank you to Senator Shelley Mayer for not only her efforts, but for delivering this much needed funding for this capital project. I'm happy and proud to have her as our partner and representative for Yonkers and Westchester."

**Yonkers City Council Majority Leader Michael Sabatino, District 3**, said, "I want to thank Senator Mayer for securing these funds for this State road. There are many roads in our city of Yonkers that are not local roads and the funds need to be secured from the state level. This will greatly improve the quality of life for those who live and shop along Central Avenue. "

**Yonkers City Council Minority Leader Mike Breen, District 5**, said, "I'm glad to see the State DOT finally addressing Central Park Ave. CPA is an economic engine for Yonkers providing shopping opportunities for consumers in the tristate area, jobs and taxes for our community. I appreciate very much Sen. Mayer getting DOT to start fixing this mega road. I hope this process will continue up and down CPA on a more regular basis."

**Yonkers City Councilmember Anthony Merante, District 6**, said, "Our residents and visitors can see, and feel for that matter, their tax dollars at work as they drive along this stretch of Central Park Avenue."