Town of Mohawk Town Board Honorable Edward Bishop, Supervisor 2-4 Park Street Fonda, NY 12068

Dear Supervisor Bishop and Town of Mohawk Board Members:

Honorable Angelo Santabarbara, Member of Assembly for the 111<sup>th</sup> District and CALL, Inc. support Saving TOM's efforts to block the annexation of certain parcels from the Town of Mohawk into the City of Johnstown. We support rejection of these annexation plans.

It is CALL's understanding that the annexed lands would be joined to the existing Industrial Park in Johnstown. Fulton and Montgomery County currently have hundreds of acres of undeveloped Industrial Park land and this would add to that number.

Undeveloped Industrial Park land is an existential threat. CALL members have witnessed three attempts to site large-scale waste management facilities in the lands of the Glen Industrial Park. The latest attempt was coupled with cries that the land had not been used for its purpose as an Industrial Park so we had to take what we could get.

CALL also notes that the 30A corridor is already overcrowded with trucks going to and from the Johnstown Industrial Park. Infrastructure in Fonda and Mohawk has been markedly deteriorated by this traffic, not to mention Fultonville and Glen. Calls for a bypass will surely be rekindled as an attraction for a company to fill the park.

Taking productive farmland and forest and converting it to unutilized industrial land gives decision makers a false reason for bad decision-making. The right decision is to say no to the annexation and no to another large industrial park.

With great regard,

For CALL, Inc., as adopted by Resolution on March 13, 2019

Stephen Helmin, Secretary, CALL, Inc.

Honorable Angelo Santabarbara,

Assemblymember, District 111