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Hon. Carolyn B. Maloney Congressional representative – NY District 12 Queens District Office 31-19 Newtown Ave. Astoria, NY 11102

Dear US Representative Maloney,

I am writing to support Queens Together "Queens Together Project".

During and after the Covid-19 crisis, Queens Together has come thru with USDA food boxes distributions and freshly prepared meals to help the families in the Corona community that are still facing food insecurities. Corona, Queens NY is one of the neighborhoods hardest hit by the pandemic. The situation was dire since we were at the "epicenter of the epicenter" of the pandemic.

Queens Together and DASQ have been at the forefront of feeding the most vulnerable New Yorkers since COVID-19 brought the city to a standstill one year ago and led to the highest unemployment rate since the great recession in 2007, leaving many New Yorkers to seek help from food pantries.

The pop-up food drive has been a grassroots effort by QT, Dominico-American Society of Queens (DASQ) and many others community based organization in helping to distributed 50,000 meals and grocery bags since the onset of the pandemic.

QT is well respected in the community and I support their effort in assisting thousands of people confronting food and economic insecurity.

I congratulate Queens Together for their effort in assisting thousands of people confronting food and economic insecurity and am pleased to support it.

Feel free to reach out to me by email at <u>josetejada@dominicoamerican.org</u> or via phone at 1-718-457-5395 if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you.

Best regards,

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