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Legislator Testa, Mayor Catalina Announce Funding for Major Energy System Upgrades at Drum Hill Senior Living

On Monday, Board of Legislators (BOL) Minority Leader, Legislator John Testa (R) Peekskill, was joined by his colleagues in approving almost \$400,000 in funding for energy efficiency upgrades for the Drum Hill Senior Living Community. The funding is part of an Inter-Municipal Agreement (IMA) with the City of Peekskill. The BOL approved the IMA by a unanimous 17-0 vote.

The City of Peekskill will sub-allocate a portion of the County's allocation of Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds (QECB) for the acquisition, construction and installation of renewable energy systems and energy efficiency improvements at the Drum Hill property which is located at 90 Ringgold Street in Peekskill.

Among the major projects to be financed through the IMA are the demolition and replacement of two large boiler systems and the associated electrical, venting and plumbing work. The new boilers will offer higher output using less energy. There will also be an across the board upgrade to lighting and other utility fixtures throughout the facility.

Legislator John Testa (R) Peekskill is the BOL Minority Leader. "This IMA is an excellent example of how the County and municipalities like Peekskill can work together to access funding for important service providers like Drum Hill." Testa said. "These upgrades will improve the energy efficiency and environmental impact at the Drum Hill property. Which allows Drum hill to provide senior housing in a more affordable and healthy manner for our seniors. This project demonstrates the success of this program and I hope for similar projects in Peekskill and throughout my district in the future."

Peekskill Mayor Frank Catalina said, "These funds provide Drum Hill with an excellent opportunity to upgrade the energy efficiency of their operations. There have been many developments in energy technology in recent years which are now coming to the marketplace. That means there are more opportunities for local governments, non-profits and other entities to save money and lower harmful emissions by upgrading. I look forward to working with our government partners at the county level to identify additional opportunities to provide financing for energy efficiency improvements in our community."

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