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Cornelius B. Murphy, Jr., President
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Dear Mr. Murphy:

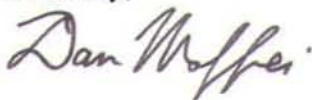
I would like to lend my support to the Southeast University Neighborhood Association and their goal of instituting an effective employer-assisted housing program in the University Hill area of Syracuse.

Bringing more homeowners into the mix of University Hill rentals would do much to stabilize the area, improve property values and reduce crime. With the full participation of major employers in the area, University Hill's well-educated and energetic employees would bolster area business and breathe new life into neighborhood institutions.

By investing in the city's most walkable neighborhood and bringing more employees to live within walking distance of work, University Hill employers would be making a substantial contribution to our region's goals for energy efficiency and denser urban development.

I grew up on University Hill and am a proud product of its public schools. I believe that an employer-assisted housing problem will strengthen the sense of neighborhood in the University Hill area and will benefit the entire Central New York area. Please feel free to contact my office if I may be of assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



Daniel B. Maffei
Member of Congress