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September 11, 2024

Hon. Pamela Panzenbeck and City Councilmembers City of Glen Cove

Re: Woolsey Avenue Flooding

Dear Mayor Panzenbeck:

I met with our Woolsey Avenue neighbors just after the flooding of August 18, 2024. There was wide media coverage of this troublesome event. Several community members expressed their concern and frustration at the Council meeting on August 27, 2024.

Denied by some, global heating and an ancient sewer and drainage system were responsible for the damage.

I understand that the City is retaining an engineer to evaluate and report on what we can do to prevent future area flooding.

I look forward to helping Glen Cove secure New York State funding to help.

Those of us who enacted the \$4.2 billion New York State Environmental Bond Act, overwhelmingly approved by our voters on November 8, 2022, are acutely aware of the dangers posed by a rapidly warming environment and ancient sewer and drainage infrastructures.

There are additional sources of State funding through the Clean Water Infrastructure Act, the Clean Water State Revolving Fund and the Green Resiliency Grant Program.

I look forward to working with the community and with you and the Council to provide New York State funding to protect our friends and neighbors.

Sincerely,

Charles Lavine

Cc: Glen Cove Community