

October 11th, 2024

Ms. Karen Utz, Regional Director
Regional Economic Development Council
95 Perry St., Ste. 500
Buffalo, NY 14203

RE: NY FORWARD GRANT – VILLAGE OF SHERMAN

Subj: 124 W Main St – NAPA Auto Parts Store

Dear Ms. Utz,

As manager of NAPA's Ottaway & Woods Auto Parts store, I am preparing to purchase the 124 W Main Street which is a mixed-use building in the downtown business district. The plans will include restoring the façade, refreshing the interior retail space, and returning the second story to efficiency apartments, maximizing the return on my investment, and supplying apartments that are in serious demand in Sherman.

I support the Village of Sherman's application and implore you to consider what this opportunity would bring to our small community. I have a unique perspective seeing the growth on Main Street from my front window. I see travelers using the EV Stations the Village installed, committees coming together to promote change, and am aware of the increase in cyclists and trail goers over the past year. All of these factors are part of the exciting initiatives that are allowing visitors to enjoy our local eateries, amenities, and businesses within the community.

Thank you for considering the Village of Sherman for the NY Forward award.

Sincerely,



Danielle Crane