

VILLAGE *of* WESTERN SPRINGS



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October 31, 2019

Representative Daniel Lipinski
6245 South Archer Avenue
Chicago, IL 606038

PRESIDENT

Alice Gallagher

Dear Representative Lipinski:

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Senator Tammy Duckworth
230 S. Dearborn Street
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Chicago, IL 60604

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3223 N. Sheffield Avenue
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