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## An Open Letter to the Community from County Executive Joanie Mahoney

It has been my honor and privilege to serve as Onondaga County Executive. When I asked for this job 11 years ago, I promised to make every decision while focusing through the prism of what is best for the next generation and I'm proud of the progress we have made. I'm grateful to the outstanding County employees for the work they have done to move our region forward.

It is county staff that created the award winning Save the Rain program which has become a national model for green infrastructure.

It was our outstanding employees who modernized county government and now deliver services more effectively and efficiently than ever.

I have our great workforce to thank for our AAA credit rating and the fact that I am leaving with our infrastructure in good working order.

I am very proud and very grateful for all the work done to clean Onondaga Lake so we could build a beautiful Amphitheater on its shore and I appreciate the partnership with the state which resulted in a record-breaking New York State Fair, a beautiful new airport and a new long-term home for the Syracuse Mets.

The list is long and there is much for which to be proud. On my last day I am filled with gratitude for the men and women of Onondaga County government.

Thank you to everyone who made it possible for me to serve the last 11 years.

And all the best to Ryan McMahon as you take the helm.

Fondly,

Joanie Mahoney