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Subject: Letter from Mayor Lynn - Petersburg Borough

Dear Mayor Lynn,

Thank you for your July 6, 2026 letter regarding winter snow removal and pedestrian access in Petersburg. We appreciate the Borough's recognition of the challenges faced by our crews during the past winter and understand the importance of maintaining safe and accessible routes for pedestrians and other non-motorized users.

We have looked for ways to better serve the Petersburg community and improve our ability to respond to winter conditions. As part of that effort, we have identified a piece of equipment that can be moved to Petersburg and used to support winter snow removal operations.

This equipment should provide our crews with a better tool for clearing snow and maintaining pedestrian routes and other areas that can be difficult to service during heavy snowfall. It is intended to improve our overall ability to perform snow removal more effectively and efficiently.

Our current staffing levels have not changed, and therefore we do not anticipate any increase in response times as a result of this change. Rather, having this additional equipment available should make it easier for our existing crews to perform snow removal and provide better service during winter conditions.

We appreciate the Borough's willingness to work collaboratively with DOT&PF to identify practical solutions. We will continue to look for opportunities to improve our winter maintenance operations and better serve the Petersburg community.

Sincerely,

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