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COUNTY EXECUTIVE ADAM BELLO OPENS NEW ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND AT GREECE CANAL PARK

ROCHESTER, NY — Monroe County Executive Adam Bello today opened a new ADA-accessible playground at Greece Canal Park alongside Greece Town Supervisor Jeff McCann. The playground, located next to Millenium Lodge, will be fully enclosed with fencing and features rubberized flooring, a communication board, and inclusive structures.

"This accessible playground will be a great addition to Greece Canal Park and the entire Monroe County Parks System, featuring some of our largest slides and the largest tower structure built to date," **said County Executive Bello**. "A part of our ongoing work to improve accessibility and inclusivity throughout our parks, the opening of the Greece Canal Park Playground comes just before the 100th anniversary of the County Parks system. I encourage everyone to keep an eye out for more exciting announcements and activities throughout the next year."

The project was funded by the Monroe County Capital Improvement Project and is a part of ongoing efforts to renovate and increase accessibility within Monroe County's parks system. Other ADA-accessible projects and amenities recently added to Monroe County Parks include an accessible canoe and kayak launch at Churchville Park as well as an inclusive spray park and accessible playground at Ontario Beach Park.

"Greece Canal Park is one of our community's most treasured green spaces, and this new accessible playground makes it even more welcoming for all of our families. I want to thank Monroe County Executive Adam Bello for this investment in our residents, and I'm proud that Greece continues to be a place where inclusivity is built into the spaces we share," **said Supervisor Jeff McCann, Town of Greece**.

"We are thrilled to see a playground like this being strategically planned - considering the true needs of individuals and families who gather at our county parks. These spaces provide more than just 'play space.' They serve as places of social and physical enrichment, where friendships begin, where relationships flourish, where shared experiences will last a lifetime. And when we make these spaces work for people with and without disabilities to engage together, our communities are greatly enriched and will flourish across a lifetime," **said Anita O'Brien, Rochester Accessible Adventures Executive Director**.

Greece Canal Park and the new playground can be accessed via the park's entrance at 241 Elmgrove Road, Rochester, NY, 14626.

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