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Grand Opening of Everette Hodge Community Center Carriage House to be held Wednesday, November 2nd at 4:30pm

(*Kingston, N.Y.*) Mayor Steve Noble is pleased to announce the unveiling of the renovated Carriage House on the grounds of the City of Kingston's Everette Hodge Community Center in Midtown Kingston. The ceremony, scheduled for this Wednesday, November 2nd at 4:30pm, will take place on-site at 15-21 Franklin St.

"I could not be more excited to introduce this new space to our community," said Mayor Noble. "When I worked at the Hodge Center through the Parks and Recreation Department, we struggled every day to deliver quality youth programming in a very limited space. We worked tirelessly to identify funds to renovate the vacant Carriage House and improve the grounds of the Hodge Center. After many years, it gives me great pleasure to know that our children will now have the space they need to learn and grow."

The Carriage House renovations were made possible thanks to funding allocated in the City of Kingston's Community Development Block Grant and an incredible donation of labor by the Bruderhof. The building will be used every day for youth and adult programming. In addition to the renovated Carriage House, a new fence has been installed around the perimeter of the grounds, creating a more secure and cohesive space for youth to spend time outside.

"We are very fortunate to have the support and commitment of the Bruderhof," said Mayor Noble. "Their leadership recognized the importance of the Hodge Center, particularly to our children, and responded with incredible generosity. I look forward to visiting the Hodge Center and Carriage House and seeing our community enjoy these new facilities."

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