

# SUFFOLK COUNTY



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NOAA Sea Grant  
1315 East-West Highway SSMC3, R/SG  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter to express my support of Manna Fish Farm for funding by NOAA's "Exploring New Aquaculture Opportunities" RFA. New York Sea Grant, Manna Fish Farms, and New Hampshire Sea Grant have submitted a proposal entitled "Nothing Shrimpy about it: Advancing sustainable shrimp biofloc production in the United States."

This proposal aims to demonstrate, replicate and scale-up the successful shrimp biofloc pilot farming technology and practices developed by the University of New Hampshire (UNH) and New Hampshire Sea Grant (NHSG). Ultimately, this project aims to make sustainable shrimp aquaculture a reality in the New York Metropolitan area of the United States through our work and collaboration. We will achieve our goals through rigorous testing of innovative biofloc technologies and roll out a comprehensive public aquaculture education, training, and outreach program.

I fully support the application made for funding through NOAA's "Exploring New Aquaculture Opportunities" RFA. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration on this matter, if you have any questions or concerns please reach out to my office at (631) 852-1300.

Sincerely,

Rudolph A. Sunderman, Legislator  
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Suffolk County Legislature