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(September 28, 2015) Cold Spring Village in Putnam County has been granted authority to expand its residential parking system after legislation, S.5538A/A.7444A, sponsored by Senator Sue Serino and Assemblywoman Sandy Galef was signed into law on September 25, 2015 by Governor Cuomo as Chapter 341 of the Laws of New York State.

The new law authorizes the Village of Cold Spring to expand the current system of residential parking permits to include the entire waterfront area. The following roadways on the east side of the Metro North Station are added to the permit system: Furnace Street, Garden Street, High Street, Kemble Avenue from Main Street to Wall Street, Railroad Avenue, Stone Street, Church Street, Haldane Street, Rock Street, Cross Street and Northern Avenue. Parking for residents in the area will be accommodated by permitted street parking and visitors and commuters have to park in public parking lots and not in front of residential homes.

"The residents of Cold Spring have been facing very difficult parking problems in the waterfront area of the village, as I have come to understand, since many came to me to complain and see what could be done at the state level," commented Galef. "Hopefully this new parking system will assure the local residents of a place to park in front of their homes while encouraging the many tourists to park in public parking lots, and commuters to park at the train station. It was a pleasure working with the village officials to accomplish this quality of life goal."

"Anything that we can do to improve quality of life in our localities while also helping area businesses is a win," said Senator Serino. "This law will increase access to Cold Spring's vibrant downtown area, help it to maintain its character, assure residents of a place to park and has the potential to provide that important boost to local businesses. I thank the village officials and the Assemblywoman for working so hard to improve quality of life in Cold Spring."

Galef and Serino worked in a bi-partisan fashion to address the needs at the state level of their mutual constituents.

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