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Dear Friends and all Liberty State Park supporters,

Summer 2019 Newsletter

We hope you have a great summer and have uplifting times in LSP, the sacred open space People's Park for us and future generations to enjoy. The Friends will continue to work to protect and improve LSP.

The LSP Protection Act update: It continues to be crucial for park supporters to take action by contacting two key legislature leaders:

We and our close ally, Greg Remaud, the NY/NJ Baykeeper CEO have worked to move this milestone and necessary law forward with the help of all those who have sent emails and made phone calls. Due to the slow legislative process and our need to advocate for true and strong protection with the DEP - who have been working in good faith - on our key language differences, we hope the Act will pass in the "lame duck session" after the Nov. election. With your help, we'll ensure LSP's non-privatized future!

Our ACT link with co-sponsors, editorials ,etc. is at www.folsp.org/preservation/protection_laws.html

Please email (one email to both is fine) or call Senate President Stephen Sweeney (please refer to Senate bill S3357) and Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin (please refer to Assembly bill A4903) Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin AsmCoughlin@njleg.org 732-855-7441

Senate President Stephen Sweeney SenSweeney@njleg.org 856-251-9801

Suggested Subject Line and basic email: Please Support LSP Protection Act S3357 & A4903

Dear Senate President Stephen Sweeney and Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin,

Please post S3357 and A4903 in November and please strongly support the LSP Protection Act.

The Act is necessary to protect NJ's priceless open space urban state park behind Lady Liberty

With our fiscal year starting on July 1 we hope you'll make a membership contribution. Please send it to the above address or please donate online at www.folsp.org/donate/donate.html We'll spend \$5,000 on trees this Fall and also spend \$15,000 again on our garden beautification program.

The Nature Center on Freedom Way will re-open this summer, after Sandy damage, with brand new exhibits. Please go to www.folsp.org (at the top) to subscribe to periodic emails & to follow us on Social Media. Please also follow LSP's own Facebook page at www.facebook.com/LibertyStateParkOfficial

Members Barbecue - Sunday July 28 at 2:00 pm in Picnic Pavilion. Rain or shine. Please mail in or donate online for your 2019 to 2020 member contribution (minimum \$5) or please contribute at the BBQ. YOU MUST RSVP for the BBQ!!! to the above email address or phone number. The Pavilion is at 20 Theodore Conrad Drive, JC. The Pavilion Field is at the eastern. end of Conrad Dr (which is a short block north of Pesin Drive).

Sam Pesin, president, Eliza Wright, co-vice president & trustees John Tichenor (our co-founder), Gladys Vasques, Mandy Edgecombe, Doug Fleisher, Roberta Fluellen, and Sara Schultzer