Supervisor Romaine and Councilwoman Kepert Celebrate Opening of New ADA Compliant Playground at Martha Avenue Park in Bellport
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**Farmingville, NY** - On July 9, Supervisor Ed Romaine (left) and Councilwoman Connie Kepert (right) celebrated the opening of a new Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant playground at Martha Avenue Park in Bellport. The playground was recently installed after requests by local residents for the Town to provide a new facility where children with disabilities could play. The park upgrades were completed, at no cost to Brookhaven taxpayers, with Federal HUD funds through the Community Development Block Grant program.

The ADA compliant features of the playground include the swings and soft ground surface. The park also features multi-purpose fields that have been renovated with new sod and drainage. The fields can be used for soccer, football and lacrosse. The park also has a softball field, basketball and volleyball courts. Pictured with Supervisor Romaine and Councilwoman Kepert are Pastor Regina (center) from the Alpha Omega Church in North Bellport and the children that attend her camp.

Supervisor Romaine said, "Thanks to the work of our Parks Department, the residents of Bellport have a beautiful new playground that all the children can enjoy in a safe and fun environment. I expect it will get a lot of use this summer and all year round."

"I'm always pushing to improve our parks," said Councilwoman Kepert. "They are our public spaces that bring families, neighbors and communities together. With its variety of uses, including this beautiful new playground as well as the refurbished multi-purpose fields, Martha Avenue Park has become a great park."

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