

## Rutherford Train Station Exterior Rehabilitation Commemorated by Congressman Rothman

### Rail Station on National Register of Historic Places Restored to Former Glory

(Washington, DC) &ndash; Today, Congressman Steve Rothman (D &ndash; NJ), a member of the House Appropriations Committee, participated in the ribbon cutting commemorating the completion of the restoration of the exterior of the Rutherford Train Station. The total cost of the restoration project, exterior and interior, amounts to \$3.3 million, \$2 million of which is federal funding that Congressman Rothman was able to secure in a federal transportation appropriations bill.

&ldquo;I am pleased to have delivered \$2 million dollars in federal funding to the people of Rutherford to make this project possible and maintain the integrity and history of the train station. This is \$2 million dollars less that local property tax payers will have to come up with to fix their local train station,&rdquo; said Rothman. &ldquo;We have not only restored the building's century-old elegance, but we have also made it useful again, preventing even costlier repairs down the road.&rdquo;

At the juncture of New Jersey Transit&rsquo;s Main and Bergen commuter rail lines, the station boards approximately 940 daily riders, and offers 35-minute travel time to New York&rsquo;s Penn Station in midtown Manhattan. Constructed on the Bergen County Line in 1898, the Rutherford Station is listed on both the State and the National Register of Historic Places, and has become a local landmark. The station is an excellent example of late 19th Century Renaissance Revival architecture with Queen Anne elements.

The exterior project restored the original condition of the historic station structure, including re-pointing and replacement of masonry, repair or replacement of original wood window frames and wood doors, repair of deformed copper facade, repainting underside of soffits and structural repairs.

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