Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy Receives $100,000 Grant Donation
made from the Peter and Carmen Lucia Buck Foundation

DELMAR, NY – July 12, 2022: Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy (MHLC) is very pleased to announce they are the recipient of a major $100,000 grant from The Peter and Carmen Lucia Buck Foundation. “This is a fantastic grant from an organization that is committed to many important social issues, including environmental conservation,” said Mark King, Executive Director of MHLC. “With this grant, Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy can focus on what we do best — working with landowners to preserve wild spaces in our area, opening up access to these spaces, and educating the public about the benefits of time spent in nature.”

This grant is earmarked for operating purposes, allowing MHLC to use the funds in their daily activities, including trail maintenance, preserve operations, and educational materials and programs. “We are seeing more interest than ever in preserving and protecting land in and around the Capital Region,” said Mr. King. “Support like this grant from the Buck Foundation allows more farmers, landowners, and concerned citizens to work with us and learn about the ways they can protect land for generations to come.”

From innovative, technology-assisted programs involving bird watching to partnerships with towns to monitor the Albany County Helderberg-Hudson Rail Trail, MHLC is expanding the boundaries of what a land conservation organization can do to impact local communities. With a focus on education and access for all to natural, wild spaces, MHLC continues to build its portfolio of land preserves across Albany, Schenectady, and Montgomery Counties, with 22 individual preserves that are open to the public for recreational use.

The Peter and Carmen Lucia Buck Foundation (PCLB) was formed in 1999, by Dr. Peter Buck and his wife Carmen Lucia, as a private family foundation to manage their philanthropy in a thoughtful and strategic manner. PCLB’s work is anchored by its mission statement, “giving motivated people the tools they need to help themselves.” These tools are about more than grants and include guidance, connections, convening, information, and other forms of assistance that the foundation and its grantees can provide. PCLB looks to support the highest-quality organizations that show initiative, leadership, and innovation in solving issues that are meaningful to the family and the communities where family members live.

About Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy
The Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy’s mission is to conserve and steward lands and waters of the Mohawk and Hudson River Valleys for the benefit of people and the environment. We have protected more than 13,000 acres of land in Albany, Schenectady, and Montgomery Counties. Our conservation work protects natural resources to ensure clean water, clean air, and working landscapes for farming and forestry for a healthier Capital Region for current
residents and for future generations. MHLC connects communities to the benefits of nature by offering a calendar of free outdoor events and free year-round access to 22 public preserves for hiking, cross-country skiing, and other educational and recreational opportunities. Please visit us online at www.mohawkhudson.org

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In addition to this press release, please find the attached image:

Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy’s Wolf Creek Falls Preserve (Photo credit: Catherine Abida)

Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy’s Hollyhock Hollow Sanctuary (Photo credit: MHLC)