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Mayor Pappas Thanks the Participants and Sponsors of the 13th Annual "Canal Clean Sweep"

NORTH TONAWANDA—North Tonawanda's Mayor Pappas wishes to take a moment in recognition of this year's successful *Canal Clean Sweep* conducted on April 21st.

The *Canal Clean Sweep* was conducted in four locations: Mayor's Park, at the intersection of Sweeney St. and Service Dr., the kayak launch docks located on Niagara St., and at Gratwick Riverside Park. The broad range of locations for the cleanup highlights the growing significance of the cleanup efforts on the Canal and the Canalway Trail System. The continual need to clear such waterways enhances public access to both and helps maintain the natural beauty for all to enjoy. As many as 100 people volunteered their time for this year's effort.

"I am always happy to attend these events which bring many from the surrounding community together for such a great cause," stated Mayor Pappas. "This year's turnout was fantastic as usual and I think all who attended can agree. The impact their hard work on restoring the beauty of the waterway was substantial. I extend tremendous gratitude to the people and the sponsors for their contributions."

Director of Recreation and Parks Patricia Brosius stated, "On behalf of the North Tonawanda Department of Youth, Recreation and Parks, I would like to extend a big thank you to our sponsors and everyone who came out, rolled up their sleeves and helped make Canal Clean Up Day a huge success!"

Special thanks must be expressed to the North Tonawanda Department of Public Works, Parks and Recreation Department, and Waterfront Commission for their contribution of volunteers, as well as Hunt Real Estate Wheatfield Branch, Walmart, and the Law Office of Luke Brown LLC for their donation of supplies.

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