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CITY OF NORTH TONAWANDA

Office of the Mayor

ROBERT G. ORTT

March 28, 2012

North Tonawanda Common Council
City Hall
216 Payne Avenue
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Dear Honorable Body:

At a regular meeting of the North Tonawanda Common Council held in the Council Chambers at 6:30 on March 20, 2012, your Honorable Body passed a resolution authorizing the sale of a parcel of City property at 116 Hawley Drive.

In accordance with the Mayor's powers under section 2.023 (a) of the City Charter, I hereby veto passage of said resolution based upon the following reasons:

Since this is a land locked parcel, designated as a wetland by the New York Department of Environmental Conservation, the City did not expect and was unaware that there were multiple interested parties in this piece of property. Only after the sale was approved by your Honorable Body was it made clear that multiple parties were interested in purchasing this parcel.

If it is your Honorable Body's intention to sell this property, in the interest of transparency and fairness, it should go through public auction at which point all interested parties would have a chance to bid on said property.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Faithfully yours,

Robert G. Ortt
Mayor

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