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Mayor Robert G. Ortt Announces Expansion of Curb Side Recycling Program Effective Immediately

NORTH TONAWANDA—City of North Tonawanda Mayor Robert G. Ortt has announced the expansion of the City's curb side recycling program. Beginning on Tuesday, February 21st, the City will be adding wide mouth plastic containers to its recycling menu of recyclables.

The expansion will include wide mouth plastics #1 through #7 (look on the bottom of the container for recycling triangle symbol), and mixed rigid plastics ("MRP's"). Examples of wide mouth plastics are yogurt, sour cream, cool whip, cottage cheese, and margarine/butter containers. Examples of MRP's include plastic laundry baskets, plastic lawn furniture, and plastic buckets. An exception for this expansion will be contaminated containers. Examples of contaminated containers include old oil containers, anti freeze containers, old medication bottles, drain pipes, flower pots, and any large containers that have steel axles.

According to Superintendent Brad Rowles, the City will continue to receive \$10 per ton for its curb side recycling program that has a cost avoidance of \$43.50 per ton. The cost of disposal is \$33.50 per ton and the recycling rebate is \$10 per ton.

"This will be a great opportunity for the City to reduce the amount of waste going to our landfills, and increase the amount of recyclables for our community," stated Mayor Ortt.

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