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Mayor Robert G. Ortt Announces Niagara River Cruises Charter Tours Begin Saturday, June 8th

NORTH TONAWANDA—Mayor Robert G. Ortt has announced that Niagara River Cruises, Inc. will begin their summer operations beginning on Saturday, June 8th. North Tonawanda will be one of the three pick up locations for the new business venture initiated by Robin Hoch and Tom Hauser, two avid local boaters. The 42-foot Harker Island Custom newly named "Queen of Peace" will be in operation on Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays for tours along the Erie Canal and Niagara River between Grand Island, Niagara Falls, and North Tonawanda. The vessel will also have special events such Fourth of July Fireworks Cruise, Canal Music Cruises, History Cruise, and a Labor Day Cruise. Private charters can also be reserved for birthdays, weddings, showers, corporate events, groups, and reunions.

Robin Hoch stated "Tom and I noticed an opportunity to have tours along the Erie Canal and Niagara River, and wanted to have people enjoy the view from the water's perspective."

"We are excited to welcome Niagara River Cruises to North Tonawanda", stated Mayor Ortt. "This is a great opportunity for people to come to North Tonawanda and enjoy the sights and sounds of our great community by visiting our downtown business corridor and surrounding area during the summer season."

The daily tour schedule, pricing, and online reservations can be obtained by visiting the Niagara River Cruises website at www.niagararivercruises.org.

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