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City of North Tonawanda to Receive 2013 Construction/Repair Project of the Year From American Public Works Association – Western Branch

NORTH TONAWANDA— City of North Tonawanda Mayor Robert G. Ortt has announced that the City will be awarded the 2013 Construction/Repair Project of the Year by the Western New York Branch of the American Public Works Association (“APWA”). The award is for the renovation project of the Gratwick Riverside Park Marina which began in 2012, and phase I of the project was completed in 2013.

Michael Marino, PE of CRA Infrastructure and Engineering, Inc. was the design engineer for this initiative, and submitted the project for consideration by the awards committee of the Association. “This award promotes excellence in the management and administration of public works projects by recognizing the partnership between the managing agency and participating consultants and contractors,” stated Daniel J. Selder, Director of APWA – WNY Branch.

Mayor Ortt stated, “I would like to thank the American Public Works Association for recognizing this project through this award. I would like to thank everyone who has been involved with the renovation of Gratwick Riverside Marina, including city engineer Dale Marshall, Public Works Superintendent Brad Rowles and the men and women at the DPW who participated on this project as well as Conestoga Rovers and Associates and Carol Tallichet from Specialty Restaurant Corporation.”

“I would also like to thank the Niagara County legislature, who awarded \$300,000 in Greenway funding to this project back in 2010. This award is the latest affirmation to everyone that said this project couldn’t happen. I am extremely proud of this project, and I accept this award on behalf of all the folks who made it a reality and on behalf of the taxpayers of North Tonawanda,” stated Mayor Ortt.

The City will also be automatically entered into the New York State level of the competition by winning this award in the Western Region. Mayor Ortt and other key City officials will be present to accept the award at the Association's Annual Awards Banquet on February 6th.

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