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Mayor Arthur G. Pappas Announces "Tree City USA" Designation

NORTH TONAWANDA—City of North Tonawanda Mayor Arthur G. Pappas has announced the Arbor Day Foundation has once again named the City of North Tonawanda "2017 Tree City USA" in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management. The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation, in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and National Association of State Foresters.

To commemorate this honor, Mayor Pappas gathered with Department of Public Works Superintendent Brad Rowles, Parks and Recreation Director Patty Brosius, Park Maintenance Crew Leader Craig Anthony and Alderman-at-Large Robert Pecoraro on Arbor Day, Friday, April 28th at 11:30 A.M. in Heritage Park, between Oliver Street and Lincoln Avenue. A new tree was planted by our Department of Youth, Recreation and Parks and a proclamation was read by Mayor Pappas. Patrick Marren, Senior Forester with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation attended the celebration to present the city with our Tree City USA flag and designation certificate.

"North Tonawanda is proud to be a community that makes the planting and care of trees a priority. Trees bring shade to our homes and beauty to our neighborhoods, along with numerous economic, social and environmental benefits. The City makes an effort to quickly replace any trees that must be removed for whatever reason." said Mayor Pappas.

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