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Media Advisory – Photo / News Opportunity

City of Lackawanna Memorial Day Ceremony Monday, May 31, 2021 at 12:00PM - Veterans' Stadium on South Park Avenue

Lackawanna, N.Y. (Friday, May 28, 2021) – The City of Lackawanna will be holding a Memorial Day ceremony on Monday, May 31 at 12:00PM in Veterans Stadium on South Park Avenue in honor and remembrance of the city's deceased military heroes.

This ceremony, hosted by the Matthew Glab Post 1477, will also include a proclamation for Sgt. Harry Switala, a 96-year-old Marine Corp. veteran of World War II and a long-time resident of Lackawanna's Second Ward. Sgt. Switala and his family will be attending the ceremony.

WHO: City of Lackawanna: Annette Iafallo, Mayor; Frederic Marrano, City Council President; John Ingram, Geoffrey Szymanski, Dean Moretti and Kevin Surdyke, Council Members.

Erie County: Michael P. (Mickey) Kearns, Erie County Clerk (special guest).

Veteran's Organizations: Matthew Glab Post 1477, Marine Corp. League Det. 216 Bett-Toomey, Col. John B. Weber Post 898, American Legion Post 63 and The Ladies Auxiliary.

Maritime Charter School honor-guard, led by Commander Deaville.

Lackawanna High School Band, under the direction of Mr. Calvin Rice.

WHAT: City of Lackawanna Memorial Day Ceremony, hosted by the Matthew Glab Post 1477

WHERE: Veterans Stadium, adjacent to Lackawanna Fire Station #3 at 2990 South Park Avenue.

WHEN: Monday, May 31 from 12:00PM to 1:00PM

Covid-19 health & safety protocols, including wearing of protective face coverings and social distancing, will be required for those partially or non-vaccinated.

ABOUT THE CITY OF LACKAWANNA: Lackawanna is a culturally diverse city of nearly 18,000 located on the shores of Lake Erie, just south of the City of Buffalo. Lackawanna offers attractive economic development options for new and expanding businesses, including those associated with state and county partnership efforts to redevelop the former Bethlehem Steel site as a commerce park for clean manufacturing and distribution, as well as city-owned and private land parcels – all conveniently located near well-established and accessible NYS Thruway, rail and port infrastructures. Lackawanna is home to Our Lady of Victory Basilica, a national shrine, which is within walking distance of the Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens and Olmstead-designed South Park. For more information visit www.lackawannany.gov.