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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Lackawanna City Hall to Operate by Appointment Only Starting January 10, 2022

**LACKAWANNA, N.Y.** (Friday, January 7, 2022) – City of Lackawanna Mayor Annette Iafallo today announced that due to the growing number of positive Covid-19 cases throughout Erie County resulting from the highly infectious omicron variant, all Lackawanna City Hall offices will operate by appointment only starting Monday, January 10, 2022 and until further notice.

This applies to City Hall departments only. Anyone with business before the Lackawanna City Court is advised to contact the court directly at 716-845-7220 for further instructions.

"I regret that we are once again in a position of having to limit public access to City Hall due to the pandemic," said Mayor Iafallo. "However, based on the positive case data provided by New York State and Erie County, this is the right thing to do at the present time to help ensure the health and safety of all those conducting business and working at City Hall."

Lackawanna City Hall hours of operation will continue as Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. except for the City Clerk's and Treasurer's offices, which close at 4:00 p.m. A contact directory for City Hall departments can be found on the home page of the city website at <a href="https://www.lackawannany.gov">www.lackawannany.gov</a>.

All visitors and employees must properly wear a protective face covering at all times while in the building and adhere to social distancing guidelines.

ABOUT THE CITY OF LACKAWANNA: Lackawanna is a culturally diverse city of nearly 20,000 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 its state and county partnership efforts to redevelop the former Bethlehem Steel site as a commerce park for light manufacturing and distribution, as well as city-owned and private landparcels – 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, the Carnegie-designed Lackawanna Public Library and is within walking distance of the Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens and Olmstead-designed South Park. For more information visit www.lackawannany.gov.