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City of Lackawanna Announces Parking Locations for A Bite of Lackawanna Food & Music Festival on June 25th

Outdoor festival will feature Lackawanna restaurants, beer/wine stations, artisan craft vendors, kids fun zone, fireworks and musical performances by The Strictly Hip and Willie May Blues Band.

LACKAWANNA, N.Y. (Wednesday, June 21, 2023) – The City of Lackawanna today announced the following designated parking locations for *A Bite of Lackawanna Food & Music Festival*, which will be held on Sunday, June 25th from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. along Ridge Road between South Park Avenue and Electric Avenue in the city's Central Business District:

- Ridge Road adjacent to the Lackawanna Public Library, 560 Ridge Road.
- **Ridge Road** at the pathway entrance to Olmstead South Park (one block west of Lackawanna Public Library)
- Catholic Charities Food Pantry 75 Caldwell Place (Caldwell Place is accessible from Franklin Street only due to Center Street construction).
- **OLV Charities/Human Services** 780-790 Ridge Road (lot accessible from South Park Avenue or Melroy Avenue heading north).
- **OLV Elementary School** 2760 South Park Avenue.
- 2838 South Park Avenue (former Knights of Columbus building, east of Maple Grove Avenue).

Shuttle service will be available from all lots except the OLV lots, which are just a short walking distance from the festival site. Handicapped parking spaces are designated in the aforementioned lots.

A Bite of Lackawanna will feature 19 Lackawanna restaurants, artisan craft vendors, beer/wine stations, kids fun zone and a fireworks display at the event's conclusion. In addition, two of the area's most popular bands will perform at the festival – **Willie May Blues Band** will take the stage at 5:00 p.m., with **The Strictly Hip** headlining at 8:00 p.m. DJ music for the event will be provided by **97 Rock radio personality** and Lackawanna resident **DJ Jickster**.

A Bite of Lackawanna is a <u>cash only</u> event and festival goers are advised to plan accordingly. ATM's will be accessible at various businesses within and in close proximity to the festival area.

On Sunday, June 25th Ridge Road will be closed to vehicle traffic between South Park Avenue and Electric Avenue from 11:00 a.m. to midnight. However, the Ridge Road intersections at South Park Avenue and Electric will remain open to vehicle traffic.

More information about *A Bite of Lackawanna* can be found on the City of Lackawanna website (http://lackawannany.gov/abiteoflackawanna) and Facebook page (Lackawanna NY - City

Government). The city has also established a dedicated email and phone line for submitting event questions: lackawannaevents@gmail.com / 716-827-6690. All inquiries received will be answered in 24-48 hours.

