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The City Council
Niagara Falls, New York

**RE: Approval of Asphalt Art Project
(Niagara Falls National Heritage Area)**

Council Members:

The Niagara Falls National Heritage Area (“NFNHA”) applied for and received an Asphalt Art Grant on behalf of the City of Niagara Falls. This grant provides for public art murals at the intersection of Main Street, Portage Road, Pierce Avenue and the Niagara Falls Public Library entrance (the “North End Triangle”). This location was selected based on the needs for traffic calming and due to its high utilization by area residents. Adding community driven public art through the North End triangle will create a connector between the neighborhoods of downtown and the North End. This project is an important step in fostering community participation while creating safer, more accessible and aesthetically pleasing roadways and spaces within the North End of the City.

It is hereby requested that the City Council approve the project and grant the NFNHA permission to make temporary improvements within the Right of Way at the intersection of the North End Triangle. These improvements will consist of painting, lane striping, and signage. NFNHA is also requesting assistance from the City in order to implement the North End Triangle project. Support from the City is necessary as part of the grant requirements to successfully complete the project. Specifically, the NFNHA will need assistance with Roadway Preparation (removal of stop bars and crosswalk lines), Crosswalk Striping, Traffic Control (street closings/re-routing traffic) and Maintenance. Depending on worker availability, the project can be completed by the early Fall season.

Will the Council so approve?

Submitted by:

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