MESSAGE FROM MAYOR FRANK CAMPION – June 1, 2020

First and foremost, I want to applaud the citizens of Welland for taking all the necessary steps to help slow the spread of COVID-19.

As the weather gets warmer, I encourage residents to remain active and enjoy our parks and trail system. The City of Welland is moving forward with re-opening the following public spaces:

- Welland BMX and Skate Park
- All City Parks (excluding playground equipment, pools, splash-pads, sports fields, & washrooms)
- River Road Boat Launch
- Canal Lands Trails
- Lincoln St. Docks
- Dog Park: No more than five people and their dogs allowed in the large dog area. No more than three people and their dogs in the small dog area. Residents are also reminded to clean up after their dogs to help keep the park clean for all to enjoy

Remember that COVID-19 is still with us. City Council and staff remind everyone to please continue to abide by the rules of social distancing, wearing a mask if social distancing is not possible, frequent hand washing, refrain from gatherings of more than 5 people and staying home if displaying symptoms or having been in close contact with cases of COVID-19.

These are most certainly challenging times. The last couple months have been difficult for all of us. However, I continue to ask for your support and cooperation in helping to prevent the spread. We need to continue to act responsibly to make certain we are taking precautions to stop the spread of COVID-19.

As we begin to actively plan for what’s next – how we recover - I know we will emerge as a vibrant and resilient community.

The situation is complex and evolving rapidly. To keep you better informed please visit the City of Welland website www.welland.ca and the Niagara Region website www.niagararegion.ca/covid19 for information on COVID-19

Please stay safe – we will get through this together.