ARMED FORCES DAY KICKS OFF A WEEKEND OF CELEBRATIONS

(NORTH BAY, ONT.) – The City of North Bay, with support from the Honorary Colonels at 22 Wing/Canadian Forces Base North Bay announced the lineup for the celebrations planned for Armed Forces Day.

“Armed Forces Day provides us all in North Bay with an opportunity to pay homage to the men and women who have and still are proudly serving in the Canadian Armed Forces,” said Al McDonald, Mayor of the City of North Bay. “In June, we will take time to honour their service, their skills, their courage and above all, their sacrifice.”

This year, Armed Forces Day will take place on Wednesday, June 13th at the North Bay Waterfront with celebrations starting at 10:30 a.m. for the school-aged children and then again starting at 6 p.m. for the community. School-aged children from the local school boards and the public are invited to listen to the 22 Wing Band watch demonstrations by the CF-18 Demonstration Team and the SkyHawks, the Canadian Armed Forces Parachute Team. As well, members of the community will be able to walk through military static displays and meet members of the SkyHawks and the CF-18 Demonstration Team, getting autographs and selfies. Then, in the evening the members of the community are invited to the waterfront to listen to various musical performances, watch air demonstrations by the CF-18 Demonstration Team and the SkyHawks, the Canadian Armed Forces Parachute Team. As well, members of the community will be able to walk through military static displays and meet members of the SkyHawks and the CF-18 Demonstration Team, getting autographs and selfies.

“The events have been scheduled to be dynamic and fully engaging for families and children of all ages,” said McDonald. “This is our chance to really stop the busyness around us, take in the sights, sounds and privileges that, I daresay, we take for granted as Canadians, and to honour the people that make our country the best on earth.”

Event sponsors include Rotary Club of North Bay, 406 Wing, Caisse Populaire Alliance, Kiwanis Club of Nipissing, Dynamic Dentistry, North Bay Lions Club, Neddy’s Hyundai North Bay, North Bay & District Chamber of Commerce, North Bay Police Association, West Ferris Legion Branch 599, West Ferris Lions Club, North Bay Police Services Board, New Ontario Brewing Company and Mike & Lori’s No Frills.
The City of North Bay is a City of 51,500 people situated between the shores of Lake Nipissing and Trout Lake. For information on City services and programs, North Bay residents, businesses and visitors can visit City of North Bay.

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