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## ANNUAL PARADE OF LIGHTS TO BRIGHTEN DOWNTOWN HOLLAND THIS TUESDAY

The tenth annual Parade of Lights will brighten the streets of Downtown Holland this Tuesday, November 27 beginning at 6:30 pm. Over 75 parade entries will illuminate Downtown Holland with thousands of twinkling lights during this highly anticipated event, making it the largest procession for Holiday Parade of Lights yet. The parade begins at the corner of Eighth Street and Columbia Avenue and continues down Eighth Street until it reaches the Eight Street Market Place, home of the Holiday Kerstmarkt.

The lineup for this year's Parade of Lights includes non-profit organizations, marching bands, families, businesses, and radio stations from across West Michigan. The main requirement for participating in the parade is decorating with lots of holiday lights, meaning that parade floats, commercial and passenger vehicles, and even individuals will all be decorated with sparkling lights from top to bottom.

The biggest highlight of the Parade of Lights, however, is always Santa Claus himself, who will arrive in Downtown Holland on a Parkway Electric truck. At the end of the parade, Santa will greet young and old alike at the Eighth Street Market, where the Holland Area Friends of Art will be hosting the Holiday Kerstmarkt. The Kerstmarkt is an open-air European Christmas Market, where vendors in historically crafted booths sell unique handmade gifts and authentic Dutch holiday treats. Santa's reindeer will also be available at the Eighth Street Market Place for children to see and pet as part of the reindeer corral, sponsored by Parkway Electric.

"Parkway Electric is pleased to expand our annual sponsorship of the Parade of Lights and be named as the exclusive sponsor of this year's event," said Douglas Mitchell, Parkway Electric Chief Operating Officer. "We are excited to have the opportunity to bring this festive holiday event to Downtown Holland and invite the entire community to join us at the parade."

To allow for a wider parade route, and to ensure the safety of the parade attendees, vehicles will be prohibited from parking downtown on Eighth Street between Columbia and Pine Avenues from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm the day of the parade. Free parking will still be available in the parking lots on Seventh and Ninth Streets, at the Eighth Street Market Place, and on the Seventh Street Parking Deck.

## The Parade of Lights lineup in order:

Town Crier

Banner

VFW Post #2144

West Ottawa High School

West Ottawa Dance Team

Grand Marshal -Parkway Electric

**AMR** 

Chuck Murillo Family

Reindeer Ranch

City of Holland

Quality Car Wash

Careerline Tech Center

**Holland Girl Scouts** 

Cub Scout Pack 3044

Crown Motors Central

Crown Motors II

Crown Motors LTD

WHTC & 92.7 The Van Radio

Miss Michigan Coed Jr. Teen

Corpus Christi Catholic School

**Grand Rapids Griffins** 

PET MI -Holland

**Qdoba Mexican Grill** 

**Great Clips** 

Lighthouse ELA

Lakeshore Local First

Rent A Center

Double JJ Resort

Ditto Upscale Resale

Tulip Time Festival

Mailoux Dentistry

**Bob Evans** 

The Edge Ice Arena

Last Stop Farm

Michigan Custom Signs

Meijer

Lanser Broadcasting - JQ99

West Michigan Lakeshore Association of REALTORS

The Salvation Army

Paul Kleinheksel

**Providence Student Ministries** 

Rainbow International Restoration & Cleaning

Holland Moose Lodge #1116

Hair Masters

**LAUP** 

Valvoline Instant Oil Change

The Wooden Shoe Restaurant

LifeQuest Church

**GVSU** Holland Campus

Oak Grove Resort Campground

**GLK Innovations LLC** 

**Potts Masonry** 

Lakeshore Toys for Tots

Holland Hospital

Gandolfo's Deli

Graafschap CRC

DeGraff Nature Center

Holland Recreation Elementary Dance Team

West Michigan Community Bank

Talsma Furniture

H&R Block

Dance Central Dance Company LLC

Ready for School

Macatawa Bank

Soaring High Balloon Adventures LLC

Tom Burri

Tunes 4 Tykes

Auto Body Xperts CARSTAR - Holland

DoubleTree by Hilton Holland

Holland Area Home School Robotics Team

Serafina's Italian Bar & Grille

Two Men and A Truck

Elzinga & Volkers

The Worden Company

Haworth Inc.

Holland High School Band

American Red Cross

Santa- Parkway Electric

Holland Fire Department

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