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Press Release

From: Silver Bay YMCA Conference and Family Retreat Center

SILVER BAY YMCA RECOGNIZED FOR COMMUNITY IMPACT

Silver Bay, NY: The Silver Bay YMCA Conference and Family Retreat Center is honored for being recognized by New York Senator Dan Stec and the Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce, acknowledging Silver Bay's community impact work, Chief Executive Officer Steve Tamm stated.

Tamm added, "We are truly honored and humbled to be recognized for our local impact work. Here at Silver Bay, the core of our mission is a commitment to providing opportunities for various people groups to renew, refresh and reconnect and to provide youth the opportunity to reach their full potential."

According to Tamm, during summer 2021, Silver Bay hosted:

- 16 families (37 adults and 9 children) in their Military R&R Program.
- 9 families (20 adults and 1 child) in their Cancer Respite Program.
- 11 families (25 adults and 13 children) in their Vacations Made Possible Program.
- 26 local children in their Silver Camp program.

Additional, thus far in 2021, Silver Bay has hosted over 450 guests in its Pastoral Respite Ministry.

All of these programs are funded 100% by Silver Bay and its supporters. "We are blessed by a broad range of people and organizations that look to make a positive impact in the lives of others and financially support our work," stated Tamm.

Silver Bay YMCA just recently announced its plan to re-open its popular teen center in Ticonderoga.

"We are very pleased to be partnering once again with Silver Bay YMCA," said Councilman Mark Russell, Chair of the Ticonderoga Youth Commission. "Silver Bay YMCA is clearly dedicated to impacting the teens of Ticonderoga. We are very thankful to them and their donors who have invested countless hours and over \$1 million in this program since 2012. They exemplify dedication to the local communities of the North Country."

On announcing the award, Matt Courtright, President and CEO of the Ticonderoga Area Chamber of Commerce (TACC) stated: "The TACC Appreciation Award goes to an organization that serves the community in a number of ways. They support our economic growth, support other local organizations and works closely with the Chamber and Ticonderoga Montcalm Street Partnership on numerous community events. They also provide an array of services to our area youth, those in need, those serving in the military,

and many others. In addition, they provide programs and services that are available to our community. For their dedication to the community and the Chamber we are honored to present this Appreciation Award to the Silver Bay YMCA.”

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Note to the Editor:

Silver Bay YMCA was founded in 1902 and is located in Silver Bay, NY, just minutes south of Hague, NY. Its 700-acre campus along one mile of Lake George shoreline offers a wide breadth of programs for all ages. Silver Bay YMCA presently employs 45 full-time staff members with a seasonal staff of 200. Silver Bay YMCA is consistently ranked one of the top ten family reunion sites in the country and is on the National Register of Historic Places with the U.S. Department of the Interior.

As a mission based charity, Silver Bay YMCA offers outreach programs in addition to its core activities as a premier conference and family retreat center. Those activities include:

- Silver Bay YMCA Teen Center in Ticonderoga (Free access for local teens)
- Open Pathways (Access to Silver Bay YMCA for the underprivileged)
- Youth and Government Program (covering Queensbury to Ticonderoga)
- Cancer Respite Program (Free respite for local cancer patients)
- Military R and R Program (Free getaway for recently deployed veterans and their families)
- Brookside Trinity Ministry (Free respite and sabbatical getaways for clergy)
- Vacations Made Possible (Free getaways for local underprivileged families)

Silver Bay’s Annual Community e-Waste day collects over 3,000 lbs. of unwanted electronics for recycling.

Our MISSION: To foster relationships, strengthen communities and nurture spirit, mind and body for all.

Our IMPACT: Because of Silver Bay YMCA, connections between people and family are stronger. People are more connected, respectful and caring. They have the confidence to develop to their full potential and to positively impact the communities in which they work and live. As a result, communities are more dynamic, inclusive and diverse. As stewards of Lake George, we inspire people to be stewards of the environment while they are visiting our magnificent campus and in their home communities.

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