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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF MAY 16, 2019

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION AND EDUCATION

Mr. Brian P. Perkovich, Executive Director

Report on April 13, 2019 State of Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program

Dear Sir:

We are pleased to report that the April 2019 Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Day, held on April 13, 2019, was a success with 1446 vehicles, representing 1,535 households, participating. This event was the result of cooperation among the District, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA), and The Chicago Zoological Society (Brookfield Zoo). Collaboration among Maintenance and Operations and Public Affairs staff was instrumental in the success of this event.

The event was held to give residents an opportunity to properly and legally dispose of hazardous household products in an environmentally safe manner. The collection day was funded by the IEPA and held at Brookfield Zoo. The IEPA provided the disposal firm, Heritage Environmental, to collect and legally dispose of all waste collected. Over 246 55-gallon drums of waste were collected for safe disposal. In addition, the District and Brookfield Zoo worked together to provide lead-acid battery, electronic, and textile collection.

Citizen feedback from this event was positive, with many residents expressing an interest in future events.

Respectfully Submitted, John P. Murray, Director of Maintenance and Operations, EJS:FC

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