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Great Neck Water Pollution Control District Set to Collect Thanksgiving Oil

Great Neck, N.Y. (November 2019) – The Great Neck Water Pollution Control District announced it will once again collect used cooking oil left over from residents' Thanksgiving meals. District residents are encouraged to schedule a free at-home cooking oil pick-up by calling the District office at (516) 482-0238. Scheduled pick-ups will take place the day after Thanksgiving, Friday, November 29, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Residents can also drop off oil at the District's 236 East Shore Road location in Great Neck between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. from Monday, December 2 to Friday, December 6.

“As an extension of our F.R.O.G.s program at local eateries—which recognizes Great Neck food establishments that properly dispose of fats, grease and oil—the District offers residents an environmentally-conscious alternative to dumping these substances down the drain,” said Great Neck Water Pollution Control District Commissioner Patty Katz. “Participating in this program, along with properly disposing of oil year-round, will help homeowners avoid future repair or replacement costs.”

Excess oils can be found in meat fats, cooking oils and marinades, which are used in cooking more often during the holiday season. Other problem substances include shortening, butter, margarine and dairy products. When fats, cooking oil and grease are poured into a sink drain or flushed down a toilet, they congeal and reduce the inside diameter of homeowners' pipes causing buildup and eventual blockages.

For additional information and updates about the Great Neck Water Pollution Control District, visit their website at www.gnwpcd.net to sign up for email newsletters or call the office at 516-482-0238.

About the GNWPCD

The Great Neck Water Pollution Control District (GNWPCD) is a commissioner-run Special Improvement District within the Town of North Hempstead. The GNWPCD has provided sewage services for the Great Neck area since 1914, and currently serves more than 25,000 residents and businesses in the villages of Great Neck, Saddle Rock, Kensington, and those parts of Thomaston and Great Neck Plaza east of Middle Neck Road; as well as all unincorporated areas north of the Long Island Rail Road and a part of Manhasset. The GNWPCD's mission is to protect our bay, the environment and the health of our society.