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Mayor Dave Ament Names Joe & Becky Sanfelippo Winner of the 2018 Citizen of the Year Award

New Berlin, Wisconsin— Mayor Dave Ament is happy to announce Joe and Becky Sanfelippo as the winner of the **2018 New Berlin Citizen of the Year Award**. Mr. & Mrs. Sanfelippo, through JOEBEC LLC, donated their property located at 15055 W. National Avenue to the City of New Berlin to be utilized for park and open space purposes. As per their wishes, the City of New Berlin now allows the New Berlin Chamber of Commerce to operate the Chamber's Farmers Market on a portion of this donated land at no expense to the Chamber.

As stated in the nomination document submitted and signed by **all seven aldermen** of the City of New Berlin, "*The Sanfelippos' generous donation is a prime example of their concern and love of our community. Their desire to ensure this property will be available for future generations exclusively for park and open space purposes is indicative of their exceptional sense of civic responsibility to the New Berlin of today, and perhaps more importantly, to the New Berlin of tomorrow. This donation will be a lasting legacy to our Community and a profound enhancement to the quality of life in our fine City.*" Mayor Dave Ament, as evidenced by his selection of Joe and Becky Sanfelippo for the **2018 Citizen of the Year Award**, wholeheartedly concurs!

The Mayor will present the award immediately preceding the Common Council meeting on Tuesday, September 25th at 6:45 PM in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Individuals or groups are encouraged to attend in support of this outstanding and generous New Berlin couple who have given so much to this community.

About the Citizen of the Year Award: Nominees for this award must be a citizen(s) of the City of New Berlin, and achievements must be recent or on-going. Nominations are judged by the Mayor's Office on the following criteria: contribution to community welfare, civic achievement, contribution of something of a lasting effect to the community, volunteerism, or enrichment of the cultural, civic or youth facilities of the City of New Berlin. Recent past winners of this prestigious award include Cheryl Schober (2017), Darrell Standish (2016), Mario Deluca (2015), Marion Onesti (2014), and Stephanie Brown (2013).

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