

Brookhaven Councilman Dan Panico and Town Board Recognize Manorville Children for Outstanding Donation

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Farmingville, NY – Brookhaven Town Councilman Dan Panico and fellow board members recently paid special tribute to Aiden and Lillian Berdinka of Manorville, who since 2009, have unselfishly donated 300 pounds of Halloween candy, from their own personal collection, to military servicemen and women overseas. The initiative began when their mother, Holly, was diagnosed with colon cancer and wanted to pay forward the kindness her family received that Halloween. She encouraged her children to donate some of their candy, which they did willingly. Since then, the children have enlisted the help of family, friends, classmates and local organizations, which have all contributed to the impressive amount of candy that has been shipped to military troops. The Berdinkas plan to continue this

tradition, they say, until there are no more troops fighting. Councilman Panico and board members presented Aiden and Lillian with Certificates of Appreciation, as well as a Proclamation naming Thursday, October 29th as Berdinka Family Day in the Town of Brookhaven. Councilman Panico also presented the children with a bucket of Halloween candy to be used towards the cause.

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