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**GARY ILLEGAL DUMPING CAMPAIGN IN EFFECT #ALLEYESONYOU  
“DUMPSTER DAY” ANNOUNCED FOR 6<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT RESIDENTS**

**Gary, Indiana-** Gary residents are reminded that the City’s Illegal Dumping Campaign is in effect. One of the major components of the campaign is “Dumpster Day” that will be held in all districts of the city. Dumpster Day is an opportunity for residents to cleanup around their property and to get rid of unwanted household items legally in the city.

The city will host the first “Dumpster Day” of the campaign on Friday, July 7<sup>th</sup>. In partnership with Republic Services, dumpsters will be placed on the parking lot of Melton Elementary School, 4581 Fillmore Street on Friday, July 7, 2017 at 7:00 a.m. Dumpsters will remain in place through Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. Dumpsters will be removed at 7:00 a.m. on Monday morning. Dumping on city streets is illegal. Residents are urged to utilize “Dumpster Day” in neighborhoods and not dump on city streets.

The City’s Illegal Dumping Campaign, “All Eyes On You” is a 90-day Pilot program designed to bring more awareness to the effects of illegal dumping on city streets and that dumping and littering on city streets is against the law. It is also an effort to cleanup dumpsites and to encourage residents to report illegal dumping. Those dumping illegally can be arrested and have their vehicle towed. Offenders can also face a \$2,500 fine and receive community service hours.

Residents may report illegal dump sites to City Hall at 219-881-1311. To report illegal dumping in progress, residents may call 219-660-0000.

Gary residents not able to take advantage of “Dumpster Day” may continue to utilize the city’s designated dump sites once weekly with proper identification. Dump sites are D&R Site Services located at 7015 W. 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Republic Services located at 15<sup>th</sup> & Clay Street.