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Media Release

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**AMERICA IN BLOOM TO VISIT CITY OF JOLIET
THIS SUMMER**

Public Input Sought for America in Bloom Visit

Thanks to a sponsorship provided by Canadian National, the City of Joliet will participate in an America in Bloom program this summer. Judges from the 501c3 non-profit corporation will tour our community over a two-day period to evaluate the City using seven criteria. The mission of America in Bloom is to promote nationwide beautification through education and community involvement by encouraging use of flowers, plants, trees, and other environmental lifestyle enhancements. The goal of the program is to bring people together to improve and enhance their environment and improve their quality of life. The City of Joliet's Tree Advisory Board and City Arborist Jim Teiber hope to receive input from the public as to which features in Joliet should be highlighted on this citywide tour.

The seven criteria that will be evaluated are: flowers, landscaped areas, urban forestry, environmental efforts, celebrating heritage, community vitality, and overall impression.

Survey forms may also be obtained on-line, at City Hall, and at both the downtown and west branch libraries. Those wishing to participate in America in Bloom efforts may also contact Jim Teiber at (815) 724-4046. Surveys may be mailed to City of Joliet, AIB Survey, 150 West Jefferson Street, Joliet, IL 60432, dropped off at City Hall at the Information Desk, or the public libraries downtown or west branch.

AMERICA IN BLOOM SURVEY FORM

Please submit by April 30, 2018

The seven criteria that will be evaluated are flowers, landscaped areas, urban forestry, environmental efforts, celebrating heritage, community vitality, and overall impression. Please list below the top 10 features you think should be highlighted on the America in Bloom Tour. These can be physically attractive/historical sites and also positive community programs supporting the criteria.

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_____ I am interested in helping with the America in Bloom effort.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ E-mail _____

Please return this form to City Hall by mail at the above address or drop it off at the City Hall Information Desk, or Joliet Public Library, downtown or west side branches. This form can also be found on-line at: www.jolietcity.org.

**David A. Hales
City Manager**

The City of Joliet is the third largest city in the state of Illinois, located just 45 miles southwest of Chicago's Loop. Home to 149,386 residents, in addition to thriving businesses and attractions, the City of Joliet is easily accessible by rail, auto and bus transit. A perfect place to live, work and play, Joliet is constantly striving to promote growth and diversity. For more information on Joliet visit www.cityofjoliet.info or call 815-724-4000. The City of Joliet's Media Releases are always available on our website.