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KENNER, LOCAL HOTELS, ACCEPTING DONATIONS OF CARNIVAL BEADS

Kenner, LA. – Kenner Mayor Ben Zahn announced that beginning Friday, and continuing through Mardi Gras, Carnival beads can be donated at Kenner City Hall and at the Visit Kenner office in Rivertown, 421 Williams Blvd. All beads collected will be given to Arc of Greater New Orleans to be sorted, re-packaged and sold.

In addition, several Kenner hotels – the Hilton New Orleans Airport hotel, 901 Airline Drive, the Doubletree by Hilton, 2150 Veterans Blvd. and the Hilton Garden Inn, 4535 Williams Blvd. – have agreed to take part in the donation effort.

“This is a great way to make good use of Carnival beads sitting around the house that you do not intend to reuse,” Mayor Zahn said. “We are happy to assist ArcGNO, which offers care and support for adults with intellectual disabilities, and I want to thank the Hilton for taking part in this donation effort.”

ArcGNO has a beads recycling center on Labarre Road in Metairie and receives more than 300,000 pounds of used beads every year. Proceeds from the sale of beads helps to keep the center operating and provides employment for seven full-time and 80 part-time jobs for ArcGNO clients.

Boxes for the beads will be set up in the lobbies of the three Hilton hotels. The Visit Kenner office is located on the second floor of the building that houses the Louisiana Office of Motor Vehicles in Rivertown and is open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Beads can be dropped off in the entrance to Building A of the City Hall complex, where City Court is located, at 1801 Williams Blvd. That building also is open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

For more information on ArcGNO, go to <https://arcgno.org>.

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