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## Ontario County Chamber of Commerce to List Iconic Property in Downtown Canandaigua as it Prepares for Next Stage of Growth

Canandaigua, NY – The Ontario County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and President & CEO Ethan Fogg have announced that the Chamber will be listing its property at 113-117 S. Main Street in Canandaigua for sale.

The Chamber and its Board have determined that the organization, its members and the community can be better served from a new location where the Chamber can focus more exclusively on member services and regional engagement, while creating an endowment for the future.

The Chamber has been headquartered in its downtown location for almost 30 years and owns the building. The Board has been critically assessing its real estate for some time. Various considerations including the Chamber's expanded scope and offerings – and market opportunities including those presented by the development of The Central on Main – make this the right time to transition to a new home.

Ethan Fogg, President & CEO, Ontario County Chamber of Commerce said, "A meaningful part of our team's work as conveners and connectors is done in our communities, across the region. We have been evaluating our property, our operations and our path forward for some time. This strategic decision allows the Chamber to be more agile, more resilient and more attentive to the needs of our members and the communities we serve. We are a community partner in every sense of the word and we look forward to the new opportunities this move will unlock. I'm very excited about what this means for the future – for the Chamber and for the increasing potential of downtown Canandaigua."

The Ontario County Chamber will continue its 114-year legacy of serving communities and members across eight counties, with the mission to cultivate relationships that drive personal, professional and economic prosperity in the Finger Lakes region.

The property will be listed with local realtor Andy Griffith, who is a past Board Chair of the Canandaigua Chamber of Commerce. Property inquiries should be directed to Andy at 585-393-1300.

"This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to own a highly attractive property in the heart of downtown Canandaigua. I was involved in the original sale of this property to the Chamber decades ago and I'm thrilled to support the Ontario County Chamber in its next stage of serving our community from a facility that meets their modern service and programming needs," said **Andy Griffith, Owner/Broker, Griffith Realty Group**.

Michelle Pedzich, Chair of the Ontario County Chamber of Commerce said, "As part of our comprehensive strategic planning process, we have determined that selling our building and conservatively investing the proceeds will position us for a more sustainable and agile future. This will allow us to focus on continuing to provide and expand our value to our members and our community in Ontario County and the seven other counties in the Finger Lakes where we provide services."

The Chamber is concurrently evaluating properties in Canandaigua for its future office, meeting and partner space.

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The Ontario County Chamber of Commerce is driven to be the most timely, relevant and valuable resource to businesses, organizations and professionals in the Finger Lakes region. The Chamber convenes important conversations and facilitates the exchange of ideas through timely events, programs and services, a robust online and social media presence, the popular ONCanandaigua Magazine and the new ONHandbook. Learn more at ONChamber.com.