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**STATEMENT BY LEGISLATORS ON POLISH AIR TRAGEDY AND
DEATH OF PRESIDENT LECH KACZYNSKI**

LOCKPORT—Niagara County Legislators Paul B. Wojtaszek, Danny W. Sklarski, and Peter E. Smolinski issued the following statement on the air tragedy that resulted in the death of President Lech Kaczyński, his wife, many top members of the Polish government, and a number of influential Polish citizens:

We are deeply saddened by the tragedy this morning in Russia. President Kaczyński was a champion of freedom, an opponent of communism, a leader in Solidarity, and a friend to America. Much the same thing could be said about many of the other men and women on that airplane.

Poland has over the years endured much sadness, and she will endure this as well and emerge stronger. But today, as Poland mourns, we share in that sadness and offer our prayers for Poland and the condolences of the government of Niagara County.

Polska na zawsze.