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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

DATE: OCTOBER 25, 2015

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LOCATION: SILVER LAKE GOLF COURSE

915 VICTORY BLVD

STATEN ISLAND, NY 10301



#### INSTALLATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL IRISH HUNGER MARKER.

THE IRISH HUNGER MARKER IS BEING PLACED AT ALL IRISH FAMINE VICTIMS UNMARKED GRAVE SITES THOUGHOUT THE WORLD.

# STATEN ISLAND IS THE FIRST CITY IN THE UNITED STATES TO INSTALL THE INTERNATIONAL IRISH HUNGER MARKER

#### **BACKGROUND STORY**

BETWEEN 1799-1858 THOUSANDS OF SHIPS CAME LADEN WITH IMMIGRANTS TO NEW YORK HARBOR. EVERY ONE OF THEM WERE INSPECTED AND THOSE WHO WERE FOUND WITH DISEASE, WERE QUARANTINED AT THE MARINE HOSPITAL AND QUARANTINE STATION ON STATEN ISLAND. DURING THE YEARS OF THE GREAT IRISH HUNGER (1845-1858) TENS OF THOUSANDS OF IRISH IMMIGRANTS CAME TO NEW YORK HARBOR, MANY WERE FOUND WITH DISEASES AND QUARANTINED. SADLY MANY THOUSANDS PERISHED. THEY WERE BURIED IN LARGE UNMARKED GRAVES ON NEW YORK CITY LAND WHICH IS NOW SILVER LAKE GOLF COURSE ON STATEN ISLAND. NO DEATH CERTIFICATES WERE ISSUED, NO CEMETERY LOG WAS KEPT, AND SADLY THOSE BURIED AT THIS SITE DISAPPEARED FROM ALL FURTHER RECORDS.

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