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## **SANTA CLAUS RECIEVES KEY TO CITY OF BRIGHTON**

### ***HOLIDAY ICON SUPPORTS LOCAL BUSINESSES AND ENSURES PRESENTS ARE DELIVERED IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAY***

In an effort to ensure timely delivery of presents to all the boys and girls of Brighton, Mayor Shawn Pipoly presented Santa Claus with the Key to the City of Brighton on Tuesday. With Mrs. Claus by his side, Santa received this crucial delivery tool to assist in his continued efforts to spread holiday cheer, as safely as possible, during the on-going pandemic.

Mayor Pipoly has been following the situation closely, “as Christmas approaches, I’m sure there is a concern from every girl and boy about the status of Christmas. I want the children to know that we have been working on a plan so that I could present Santa with The Key to the City of Brighton. Without this key, he would not be able to deliver Christmas presents very easily. Thankfully, with help of Pam McConeghy at the Greater Brighton Chamber of Commerce, Santa and Mrs. Claus were able to fit me into their busy schedule this week so I could give them the Key to our City.”

Santa Claus agreed and re-asserted, “I just want to let the kids know that they are not forgotten during these tough times. Rest assured, the elves are working diligently at The North Pole getting ready to deliver presents. All I ask is that you leave cookies and milk out for me and carrots for my reindeer. HO! HO! HO!”

After receiving the Key to the City, Santa and Mrs. Claus donned masks and shopped some of Brighton’s many local businesses to pick up some last minute gifts. Santa noted, “I always like to support local merchants whenever I can; and I would encourage everyone do whatever you can to buy your gifts, treats, and meals from your local businesses.”

A video of Mayor Pipoly presenting Santa with The Key to City of Brighton is available for all to see on the City’s Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/brightonMI](https://www.facebook.com/brightonMI).

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