- >> THE NEXT 48, 72 HOURS IS A
- LACK OF COMMON SENSE.
- >> WE WANT NO DRIVING WHATSOEVER IN THAT AREA OF THE CITY.
- >> THE WARNINGS TONIGHT FROM NEW YORK OFFICIALS.
- AS PART OF THE STATE INCLUDING BUFFALO FACES HISTORIC LEVELS OF SNOW.
- POTENTIALLY CAUSING DANGEROUS AND EVEN DEADLY CONDITIONS. MORE THAN HALF A METRE OR ABOUT TWO FEET HAS ALREADY FALLEN ON THE REGION WITH MUCH MORE TO COME. GOOD EVENING, THE SYSTEM ALSO MOVING IN OUR DIRECTION.
- >> Zuraidah: WHILE THE GTA IS EXPECTED TO DODGE THE WORST OF IT, IT WILL HAVE AN IMMENSE IMPACT ON MILLIONS OF PEOPLE IN
- SOUTHERN ONTARIO.
 WE HAVE TEAM COVERAGE OF THIS
- STORM FOR YOU TONIGHT.
 ADRIAN IS IN BUFFALO WITH THE
 LATEST DEVELOPMENTS THERE.
- MICHELLE JOBIN IS TRACKING THE SYSTEM, WHERE IT'S GOING AND WHO WILL BE HIT HARDEST.
- >> Nathan: WE BEGIN IN FORT ERIE WHERE MIKE WALKER IS RIGHT NOW WITH A LOOK AT HOW PEOPLE THERE ARE FARING AND PREPARING. MIKE.
- >> Reporter: ALL DAY ACROSS TOWN WE SAW PEOPLE DIGGING OUT BUT MANY ARE CALLING THIS DUMPING OF SNOW THE CALM BEFORE THE STORM. FORT ERIE EXPECTED TO BE ONE OF THE HARDEST HIT COMMUNITIES IN THE NIAGARA REGION.

 THE TOWN SAYS ITS CREWS ARE
- THE TOWN SAYS ITS CREWS ARE READY TO RESPOND.
- >> DIGGING OUT AFTER THE FIRST BLAST OF WINTER WEATHER IN FORT ERIE.
- >> IT'S WET.
- IT'S HEAVY.
- >> Reporter: MANY HERE ARE BRACING FOR A WALLOPOON THE HORIZON.
- >> I HOPE IT DOESN'T.
- I TELL YOU THAT MUCH.
- I DON'T KNOW IF MY BACK CAN TAKE

MUCH MORE.

- >> Reporter: RESIDENTS KEEPING AN EYE ON THE SKY IN NEIGHBOURING BUFFALO WHERE NEARLY TWO FEET OF SNOW IS ON THE GROUND AND MORE IS STILL TO FALL.
- >> IT CAN GO EITHER WAY. IT DEPENDS ON THE WIND. THAT'S IT.
- >> Reporter: ENVIRONMENT CANADA HAS ISSUED A SNOW SQUALL WATCH FOR THE NIAGARA REGION. WITH HEAVY LAKE EFFECT SNOW EXPECTED TONIGHT AND THROUGHOUT THE WEEKEND.
- >> IN TERMS OF TOTAL SNOWFALL AMOUNTS, PARTS OF THE NIAGARA REGION COULD BE LOOKING AT 30 TO 60 CENTIMETRES BEFORE IT STARTS TO TAPER OFF.
- >> TONIGHT IS SUPPOSED TO BE THE WORST FOR US.
- SO I AM A LITTLE ANXIOUS ABOUT IT.
- >> Reporter: MANY LIKE CAROL KNOW JUST HOW BAD THE WINTER CAN BE.
- >> IF YOU GET THAT BIG OF A DUMPER.
- WE HAVE A GENERATOR.
 I'M NOT WITH WORRIED ABOUT THE HYDRO.
- AS LONG AS THE --
- >> Reporter: FORT ERIE EXPECTED TO BE THE HARDEST HIT TOWN IN THE REGION.
- ROAD CREWS ON STAND BY READY TO CLEAR THE SNOW ON MORE THAN 400 KILOMETRES OF ROADS.
- >> WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY TWO DOZEN STAFF AVAILABLE INITIALLY. THERE'S ADDITIONAL STAFF WE CAN CALL IN IF WE NEED ADDITIONAL.
- >> SCHOOL BUSS WERE CANCELLED, SO TOO IS THIS WEEKEND'S SANTA CLAUS PARADE.
- >> WHEN YOU'RE PREPARING FOR AN EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO SNOW, YOU WANT TO ERR ON THE SIDE OF CAUTION, PARTICULARLY IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN.
- >> SOME RESIDENTS ARE HUNKERING THIS DOWN THIS WEEKEND.

>> WE HAVE FOOD AND WATER SUPPLIES.

WE HAVE BATTERIES, CANDLES.

>> Reporter: WHILE THOSE IN THE

SNOW REMOVAL BUSINESS ARE

PREPARING TO BE WORKING AROUND THE CLOCK.

>> I DO THE HOSPITAL.

YOU GOT TO KEEP IT OPEN.

YOU'RE THERE WHETHER YOU CAN SAY OR NOT.

>> Reporter: WITH THE RISK OF POOR VISIBILITY, THE NATIONAL WEATHER AGENCY URGING PEOPLE IN THE NIAGARA REGION TO AVOID UNNECESSARY TRAVEL.

BECAUSE OF THE GEOGRAPHY HERE, THE SNOWFALL AMOUNT CAN VARY

ACROSS THE NIAGARA REGION.

FORT ERIE'S MAYOR SAYS HE WON'T

HESITATE TO CALL ON NEIGHBOURING MUNICIPALITIES TO HAVE THEIR

CREWS SUPPORT THE SNOW CLEARING

IF IT'S NECESSARY.

REPORTING LIVE IN FORT ERIE, MIKE WALK.

>> Zuraidah: THANK YOU, MIKE.

SOME OF THE WORST HIT AREAS SO

FAR ARE IN AND AROUND BUFFALO.

SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED, TRAVEL IS NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE.

>> Nathan: CTV'S ADRIAN REPORTS, OFFICIALS TELLING PEOPLE THERE

TO GET READY FOR POTENTIALLY

HISTORIC WEATHER EVENT.

>> Reporter: MORE THAN 6 MILLION PEOPLE ARE UNDER WEATHER ALERTS

FROM WISCONSIN TO NEW YORK. A STATE OF EMERGENCY HAS BEEN

DECLARED IN BUFFALO.

THE CITY FACING CONDITIONS NOT

SEEN IN OVER 20 YEARS.

>> I WASN'T EXPECTING THIS.

THIS IS BIG.

I WASN'T EXPECTING THIS.

I HEARD THE STORM BUT I DIDN'T

THINK NONE OF IT.

>> Reporter: A BLISTERING BLAST OF THUNDER SNOW AND PUNISHING

BANDS OF LAKE EFFECT SNOW ARE

EXPECTED TO PILE UP TO 1.2

METRES OVER THREE DAYS.

A DRIVING BAN IS IN PLACE IN

HARD HIT SOUTH BUFFALO.

>> WE WANT NO DRIVING WHATSOEVER

IN THAT AREA OF THE CITY.

SO THE PLOWS CAN DO THEIR WORK.

>> Reporter: THOSE VENTURING OUT

FACE TREACHEROUS CONDITIONS.

EMERGENCY CREWS HAVE RESPONDED

TO SEVERAL ACCIDENTS.

>> A CAR UNDER THERE.

>> Reporter: OFFICIALS URGE

PEOPLE TO SHELTER IN PLACE.

POWER IS OUT IN THOUSANDS OF

HOMES AND BUSINESSES.

>> Nathan: ADRIAN JOINS US FROM

SOUTH BUFFALO WHERE PEOPLE ARE

TAKING THE BRUNT OF THIS STORM.

WHAT ARE PEOPLE THERE EXPECTING

OVER THE NEXT 24 TO 48 HOURS?

CAN YOU HEAR US, ADRIAN?

>> [INAUDIBLE] MORE OF WHAT YOU

ARE SEEING RIGHT NOW.

IT HAS BEEN SNOWING PRETTY MUCH

SINCE 7:00 P.M.

THERE'S BEEN A COUPLE OF BREAKS

IN TOWN THIS AFTERNOON.

THERE WAS SOME BREAKS IN THE SNOW.

IT JUST KEEPS ON COMING.

IT'S NOT JUST -- THE AMOUNT OF

SNOW, THAT'S COMING DOWN, IT IS

SIMPLY THE -- IT IS THE VOLUME

OF SNOW AND THE PACE IN WHICH IT

IS COMING DOWN.

>> Nathan: THAT'S CTV'S ADRIAN

IN SOUTH BUFFALO.

A BIT OF A DELAY THERE.

WE WILL CHECK BACK WITH HIM

LATER IN THE SHOW.

>> Zuraidah: AHEAD TONIGHT, ELON

MUSK AND TWITTER ARE ALSO CAUGHT

UP IN THEIR OWN STORM.

WE'LL SHOW HOW THE SOCIAL MEDIA

GIANT HAS CONNECTED TO THE

WEATHER EVENT THIS WEEKEND AND

WHY ITS STAFFING TROUBLES COULD

PLAY A KEY ROLE.

MICHELLE JOBIN JOINS US WITH A

LOOK AT THE CURRENT CONDITIONS

HERE IN THE GTA.

WE'VE GOT A FEW FLURRIES BUT

NOTHING LIKE WHAT THEY ARE

SEEING IN BUFFALO AND NIAGARA.

>> Michelle J.: THERE ARE MANY AREAS.

I'LL GO THROUGH ALL OF THEM THAT

CAN EXPECT SNOW SQUALLS.

WE ARE LOOKING AT AREAS NORTH OF

THE CITY OF TORONTO IN AND

AROUND GREY AND BRUCE COUNTY

THAT COULD SEE UP TO 0UR8 80

CENTIMETRES OF SNOW.

AS YOU CAN SEE SOME WIDESPREAD

ACTIVITY HERE

SNOW SQUALLS OFF THE UPPER GREAT

LAKES, LIGHT FLURRIES IN THE

GTA.

THOSE WILL BE WITH US.

IN AND AROUND THE REGION

HOVERING CLOSE TO THE ZERO MARK

IN THE GTA.

HERE ARE THOSE PERSISTENT WINDS

OUT OF THE SOUTHWEST THAT ARE FUELLING THOSE SNOW SQUALLS OFF

THE LAKE.

I'LL TELL YOU WHY THAT IS LATER

ON.

RIGHT NOW IN THE ISLAND IT IS 1°

FEELING LIKE -5.

SOME LIGHT FLURRIES AT TIMES

OVERNIGHT, -6 FEELING LIKE -12.

WE'VE GOT A COLD WEEKEND AHEAD.

I'LL HAVE MORE DETAILS COMING UP

BACK TO YOU

>> Nathan: ONE OF THE MOST

EXCITING NIGHTS OF THE YEAR FOR

US AT CTV.

DEFINITELY A SIGN OF THE

UPCOMING SEASON.

TOY MOUNTAIN IS BACK FOR ITS

27TH CAMPAIGN IN SUPPORT OF THE

SALVATION ARMY HELPING CHILDREN

IN NEED ACROSS THE H

>> Zuraidah: THIS YEAR THAT NEED

IS BEING FELT BY MORE FAMILIES

FEELING THE SQUEEZE OF THE

RISING COST OF LIVING.

THANKS TO YOUR GENEROSITY, WE

CAN RAISE THE HOLIDAY SPIRITS OF

LOCAL KIDS.

WE ARE HOLDING A SPECIAL EVENT

TO KICK OFF THIS YEAR'S EFFORTS,

CTV ANDRIA CASE IS LIVE AT MEL

LASTMAN SQUARE WITH MORE. >> Reporter: GOOD EVENING.

YES, HERE WE ARE, YOU CAN HEAR

THE SALVATION BAND BEHIND ME.

IT IS CHILLY AND COLD.

THE WIND IS BLOWING.

BUT IT'S A GOOD THING.

THAT MEANS THE HOLIDAY SEASON IS ON ITS WAY.

IT IS TIME TO BUILD A MOUNTAIN OF TOYS.

I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M SAYING THAT.

SOMEONE WHO IS GOING TO BE

SAYING IT A LOT OVER THE NEXT

FEW WEEKS IS VERY GOOD FRIEND

FROM THE SALVATION ARMY.

GLEN, YOU ARE HERE.

THIS IS QUITE THE SET UP.

TELL US WHY IT'S SO IMPORTANT

THAT PEOPLE GIVE THIS YEAR.

>> WE HAVE MANY, MANY CHILDREN

IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT NEED YOUR SUPPORT.

WE NEED YOU TO HELP US BUILD A MOUNTAIN OF TOYS.

OVER 30,000 CHILDREN IN THIS

COMMUNITY THAT WILL BE COMING TO

THE SALVATION ARMY, PARENTS

SEEKING THAT SUPPORT.

WE NEED, ESPECIALLY NOW,

INFLATION IS HIGH.

COSTS OF THINGS ARE GETTING

GREATER.

WE NEED TO PROVIDE THOSE PARENTS

WITH A LIST OFF THEIR SHOULDERS.

HELP PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT

THE SALVATION ARMY THROUGH THE CTV TOY MOUNTAIN CAMPAIGN.

SUPPORT YOUR NEIGHBOURS.

BE A PART OF THIS GREAT

TRADITION, 27 YEARS WE'VE BEEN

DOING THIS ANDREA.

WOW.

JUST WONDERFUL.

SO THANKFUL.

>> YOU WERE A CHILD WHEN THIS

STARTED.

27 YEARS.

YOU CAN GO TO TOY MOUNTAIN.CA AND YOU CAN MAKE A DONATION

THERE.

YOU CAN GO TO MANY OF OUR EVENTS THAT ARE GOING OVER THE NEXT SIX

WEEKS.

THE BAND IS STRIKING UP RIGHT

NOW.

WE'RE GOING TO BE COMING BACK

THROUGHOUT THE SHOW WITH SOME

PRESENTATIONS, SOME

ENTERTAINMENT -- THE BAND JUST

I'M GOING TO SEND IT BACK INSIDE TO THE STUDIO.

WE'LL BE BACK TO SEE HOW WE'RE GOING TO START A BUILD.

>> A MOUNTAIN OF TOYS!

>> Zuraidah: WE'LL CHECK BACK WITH YOU A LITTLE LATER.

ELSEWHERE TONIGHT, ONTARIO'S TOP DOCTOR HAS SOME EXPLAINING TO DO.

>> Nother: HE WAS CAUGHT ON

ENDED RIGHT ON QUEUE.

>> Nathan: HE WAS CAUGHT ON CAMERA AT A PARTY THIS WEEK MASKLESS JUST DAYS AFTER STRONGLY RECOMMENDING ACROSS THE PROVINCE PEOPLE SHOULD COVER UP AT ALL TIMES WHILE INDOORS. **OUEEN'S PARK REPORTER SIOBHAN** MORRIS HAS THE DETAILS >> Reporter: DR. MOORE MADE THAT RECOMMENDATION AS WE START TO SEE MORE AND MORE KIDS FALLING SICK WITH RSV AND THE FLU AND TO SOME DEGREE COVID-19. THERE IS CONFUSION ABOUT WHY DR. MOORE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE HEEDING HIS OWN ADVICE.

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>> Reporter: THERE IS A SMILING
DR. KIERAN MOORE CELEBRATING
TORONTO LIFE MAGAZINE'S MOST
INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE IN THE CITY.
ONTARIO'S TOP DOCTOR WAS MIXING
AND MINGLING MASKLESS DAYS AFTER
A PLEA TO PROTECT KIDS.
>> IN RESPONSE TO THE WORSENING
TRENDS AND EXISTING CHALLENGES
FOR OUR HEALTH CARE SYSTEM I'M