

October 6, 2016

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TO: Racine City Common Council, Department of Public Works, Racine Police Department & Racine Parks and Cultural Services Department

RE: USE OF Sixth Street, Harborwalk Pathway, Pershing Boulevard, and Columbus Causeway and sidewalks adjacent to them

On behalf of the Arthritis Foundation – Midwest Region, I would like to request the following so that they may hold their **twentieth annual Racine Jingle Bell Run/Walk for Arthritis:**

- As per the attached map, that they be allowed to utilize Sixth Street from Lake Ave to Pershing Boulevard, Pershing Boulevard from Sixth Street to the entrance to the soccer field park, the Harborwalk pathway from sixth street to the south end of the Main Street Bridge and the Columbus Causeway from Lake Ave. to the end of the Causeway. Where possible, the runners and walkers will use the Harborwalk, available sidewalks or the curbside lane of and roads travelled. We will work with the Racine Police Department and the Racine Police Explorer Scouts to provide for traffic control.

The event will raise funds to assist those afflicted with the various forms of Arthritis (1 in 9 adults and over 300,000 children in the US) providing for research to cure the disease in its various forms and support those afflicted with information and support (children's camp) in living with the disease

The City was previously kind enough to approve our request during the early years (first 7) of the event and we would like to bring the event back to downtown Racine for it's twentieth anniversary. We hope you will grant this request so that we may safely hold this event to support our cause. See attached information of the Run/walk.

If you have any questions, please contact me on my cell at 262-412-2435 and I will be happy to discuss this matter with you. We will concurrently be in contact with representative from the police department to also discuss the request in more detail and we can have a representative from our group available to attend any future regular committee meeting to answer any questions/comments/concerns you may have.

Thank you for your committee's consideration and I/they look forward to your affirmative response.

Sincerely,



Thomas Rudey
Event Coordinator
Jingle Bell Run/Walk (20th year)

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Jingle Bell Run For Arthritis

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS 2015: approximately 400
TOTAL EVENT Net INCOME: \$200,000+
PENDING EVENT SPONSORS:

Arthritis Foundation – Midwest Region **Starbuck's Coffee**
ABBVIE **T-Ru, LLC**
CARRS (race timing)
Charcoal Grill
Culligan Water **And many more...**
Erickson Ambulance Service
O&H Danish Bakery
Omni Orthopedic
Festival Foods
Racine Area Running Club
Racine Police Explorer Scouts

2016 EVENT LOGISTICS

EVENT DATE: 12/3/16
LOCATION (start/finish): Memorial Hall
EVENT TIME(s):
Course Set-Up 6:00 a.m.
Registration 8:00 a.m.
RAC Warm-up 8:45 a.m.
Run/Walk Begins 9:30 a.m.
Course Tear-Down 10:30 a.m.
Awards Ceremony 10:45 a.m.

ARTHRITIS FACTS

Individuals Afflicted: Nationally 40 million (adults & children)
Wisconsin 800,000 (adults & children)

Funds raised to support research for cure/amelioration and quality of life enhancement programs and services to assist those dealing with the daily challenges of arthritis

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE EVENT

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