



March 2, 2010

Mr. Richard Jones Racine County Public Works Department 14200 Washington Avenue Sturtevant, WI 53277

Dear Mr. Jones:

As you are aware, Fourth Fest of Greater Racine, Inc. annually conducts the 2010 Independence Day Celebration in the City of Racine. I write to respectfully request your permission regarding various items relating to the Parade and Fireworks display. Because July 4th falls on a Sunday this year, the Parade and Fireworks will be held on Monday, July 5, 2010. This is customary as to not conflict with Sunday religious services.

The Parade will start at approximately 8:30 a.m. on Monday, July 5, 2010, and last until approximately 11: 30 a.m. We request the Permits for the following closures:

The Main and State Street bridges to boat traffic from 7:45 a.m. to the conclusion of the Parade;

Main Street from Shoreland Avenue on the north side to  $14^{\rm th}$  Street on the south side;

14th Street from the Lake to Racine Street;

Michigan Boulevard for pre-Parade staging from Gould Street to St. Patrick's Street;

Ruby Avenue from South Street to Shoreland Avenue for float judging; and

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Walton Avenue, Romayne Avenue, Augusta Street, Wolff Street, William Street, Isabelle and Melvin Avenue between Main Street and Geneva Street for Parade staging.

In addition to closures for the Parade, we again request that the Main and State Street bridges be closed to boat traffic after the Fireworks on July 5, 2010. The Fireworks will run from dusk to approximately one hour after dusk (typically 21:30 - 22:00).

We also ask permission to use the North Beach Park location along with the North Pier to shoot the fireworks. We would also like permission for July 6, 2010 as a back-up, in the case of a rain out on July 5, 2010.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (262) 637-1260 (office); (262) 554-1148 (home); (262) 497-1011 (cell); or Racine Police Department Liaison, Lt. Jim Dobbs, at (262) 635-7722.

Thank you very much for your anticipated attention to the foregoing.

Sincerely,

Mark R. Hinkston, President Fourth Fest of Greater Racine, Inc.

300 Fifth Street Racine, WI 53403