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City Clerk City of Racine 730 Washington Ave. Racine, WI 53403

Dear Members of the City Council,

The Real Racine is working with a local group of avid cyclists and would like to bring back the International Cycling Classic to downtown Racine on Friday, July 13, 2012.

The event will consist of a series of four or five criterium style bicycling events for men, women and children of varying ability at distances ranging from 25 miles to 62 miles beginning at approximately 10:30 a.m. and lasting until 8:30 p.m. We are requesting a street closure from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. for setup and takedown purposes. There are expected to be 300-500 cyclists participating and several thousand spectators. The date was chosen so that we can tap into the 500-700 Ironman participants who are expected to pick up their race packets that day at Festival Hall.

The course that we are requesting is Fifth St between Main and Wisconsin, the east side of Wisconsin Avenue to Third St., Third St. between Wisconsin Avenue and Main St., Main Street between Third St and State St., the southside of State Street to Lake Avenue, the west side of Lake Avenue to Third St., Third St. to Main St., and Main St. back to Fifth St.. This is the same course as in 2010, the last year that the event was held in Racine. It is also shown on the enclosed map. The Start/Finish line will be on Main St. in front of 413 Main St. There will be time between races for vehicular traffic to enter and depart the area, as well as short time periods between each lap. Volunteers will facilitate pedestrian traffic wishing to cross the route.

The International Cycling Classic (also known as SUPERWEEK) is celebrating its 44th year. It consists of a variety of bicycling races over a seventeen day period in southeastern Wisconsin and northern Illinois at multiple venues. It is one of the three largest multi-day cycling events in the country and attracts riders from around the world.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding the event. I can be reached at 884-6405. Sincerely,

Dave Blank President/CEO Real Racine

