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Donald Snow Department of Parks and Recreation Racine, WI RECEIVED

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PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

Dear Mr. Snow,

The Racine Scouts Drum and Bugle Corps will be hosting a <u>Healing Field of Flags</u> at Pershing Park in Racine during the 2011 Memorial Day weekend, May 27-30, 2011. This patriotic spectacle will consist of upwards of 1000 United States Flags, dedicated to members of our nation's armed services, living or deceased. This event is free and the public is encouraged to attend. On Friday evening, May 27, an opening ceremony and concert will be held to kick off the event. We hope to have the US Navy Wind Ensemble from Great Lakes, Illinois as our featured musical guest, and Senator Herb Kohl has been invited to be the key note speaker. Other area musical group will also be participating in the Friday night concert. Over 100 area Veterans will also be involved in this program.

As part of the event, we request permission for two scout troops to camp in the area of the flags for the duration of the event. These young people will be fully supervised by Boy Scout adult personnel and the boys will be responsible for taking visitors to various flag sites along with performing specific flag ceremonies throughout the weekend. (Reville and Taps, etc)

An information table will be manned by personnel from the Racine Scouts throughout the weekend, so that the people who purchased flags can see where their specific flag is posted. On Monday afternoon, citizens can come and pick up their personal flag.

As the Racine Scouts are a non profit youth organization, I am asking that the fees for rental of the park be waived. Monies raised from this event will go toward the purchase of new brass instruments for the corps and other youth oriented organizations will also receive monies derived from this event

If you have ANY questions regarding this project, please contact me as soon as possible.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, andrea Burba

Andrea Birbilis, Manager

Racine Scouts Drum and Bugle Corps