

May 27, 2013

The Honorable Dane Slater  
Mayor of Troy  
500 West Big Beaver Road  
Troy, MI 48084-5285

Dear Mr. Slater:

Last year, park and recreation advocates from across Michigan gathered at the state Capitol to recognize June as No Child Left Inside month, and July as Parks and Recreation month. The event – “Get Outside and Play at the Capitol,” attracted more than 1,000 children from communities across the state.

We are writing to inform you that the second annual “Get Outside and Play” day at the Capitol will be held on Tuesday, June 18, 2013. The event is designed to promote overall well-being and healthy lifestyles through use of parks and recreation facilities.

Get Outside and Play day will run from 10am-3pm and provides free outdoor activities and nature education opportunities for youth, including: disc golf, kayaking simulations, tennis games, demonstrations for first-time campers, lawn Olympics, and more!

Help us show our state leaders the unique and fun ways to stay active while spending time with their family and community. Please call your State Senator John Pappageorge and Representative Martin Howrylak to extend a personal invitation to attend the event. Michigan residents recognize that parks, recreation, and leisure services are essential components of vibrant communities that produce jobs and spur economic development—and our state leaders should too.

The event is endorsed by Lt. Governor Brian Calley and sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, USTA Midwest, McDonald’s, the Michigan DNR, Michigan No Child Left Inside Coalition and the Michigan Recreation and Park Association.

If you have questions about “Get Outside and Play at the Capitol,” please call Justin Lippe with MRPA at 517-485-9888.

On behalf of Oakland County Parks and Recreation and MRPA, we thank you for helping Michigan communities get fit, and realizing the value of our parks and recreation facilities!

Sincerely,



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