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September 13, 2016

The Honorable Mayor James Bouley
Honorable Members of the Concord City Council

Re: 15th Annual Rock 'N Race to benefit Payson Center for Cancer Care

Dear Mr. Mayor and Honorable City Council Members:

On behalf of the members of the Planning Committee for the 15th annual Rock 'N Race to benefit Payson Center for Cancer Care, I am writing to inform you of some details regarding the race (scheduled for Thursday, May 18, 2017) and to request specific road closures to ensure the safety of all participants.

This year nearly 6,000 participants gathered in downtown Concord to raise more than \$450,000 for the programs and services at Concord Hospital Payson Center for Cancer Care. The Merrimack County Savings Bank Rock 'N Race is now the largest 5K event in New Hampshire. Over the past fourteen years we have raised more than \$4 million dollars. It is our hope that we will once again be granted permission by you and the City Council to hold this event in the streets of downtown Concord in 2017.

The enhancements and changes on Main Street, specifically the bump outs and median strip, present safety issues to such a large group of runners. Therefore, we are requesting the following:

- ▶ Approval of the same course route we used this year which is detailed in the enclosed course map. As you will note, **the race begins on North State Street.**
- ▶ Permission to close roads as follows:
 1. North State St. at Pleasant St. (Northbound) from 4-8:30PM
 2. North State St. at Capitol St. (Northbound) from 4-8:30PM
 3. North State St. at Centre St. (Southbound) from 4-8:30PM
 4. Green St. between Centre and School Sts. From 6-8:00PM (or until the last walker passes)
 5. Park St. between North Main and North State Sts. (Westbound) from Noon to 8:30PM
 6. Capitol St. between North Main and North State Streets (Eastbound) from Noon to 8:30PM
 7. Warren St. between Green and North State Street from 4-7:00PM (or until the last walker passes)

A road race permit application has been submitted to the City's Code Administration Department. We will work closely with Code Administration, the Police Department and the Fire Marshall on event logistics. The Police Department will again develop a plan to assign approximately twenty extra-duty officers to the course who will keep communications open to ensure public safety at all times.

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Finally, while not a road closure request, we wish to inform you of our intention to position nine musical acts and six food stations around the course. Each act will have a tent and a platform. Each of the food stations will have a tent. We will work closely with the Fire Marshall and obtain the requisite permits for the larger tents.

Thank you so much for your consideration of our request. If you require additional information, please contact either me directly at 225-2711 x5234.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Sharon'.

Sharon Sweet
Events Manager, Concord Hospital Trust

Enclosure

Cc: Eugene Blake
Randy Joiner
William Hauser

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