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March 24, 2017

RE: Admission Based Events in Park Spaces and Community-Based Park Policy

Dear Council,

The INC Park and Rec Committee's Platform for Denver's Urban Parks was approved by the INC delegation on January 8, 2011. Since the approval the INC Parks and Rec committee has worked with DPR and the City to promote the values and wishes written in the platform.

In our Urban Parks Platform we specifically state a Festival Site should be established apart from Denver's parks. Admission based events are incompatible with Denver's long standing commitment to parks that are free and open to the public. In addition a Community-Based Policy would create a standard when working with the community in defining park use.

As a committee we wish to restate our continued opposition to admission based events in Denver Parks and make a call to creating a Denver Festival Park with the infrastructure to support the events and a setting to reflect Denver.

Attached is the approved INC Platform for Denver's Urban Parks which we hope you will take a few minutes to read. We continue to support its basic tenets, a Community-Based Park Policy Required, a Festival Site be Established and a Dedicated and Stable Funding for Parks be Sought.

Thank you for your service and dedication to our prized Denver Parks and Park Land.

Sincerely,

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