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DATE: 9/18/2015

SUBJECT: Balloon Fest Color Run

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NATURE OF INCIDENT: Traffic Advisory

CASE NO.:

INCIDENT DATE: 9/20/2015 INCIDENT TIME: 9:00 a.m.

INCIDENT LOCATION: Harbor Drive and Railroad Street Area

Traffic Advisory

On Sunday, September 20th, 2015 the Balloon Fest Color Run will be held in Bayfront Park. The run will start at 9:00 a.m. in Bayfront Park, run on the paved path behind the stage area onto a stretch of the Lakewalk and continue onto Harbor Drive behind the DECC. Runners will continue to a turnaround point just before the DECC east gate, then run the same route back to the Great Lakes Aquarium and down the connector to Railroad Street. Runners will then travel west on Railroad Street to a turnaround point before the railroad tracks near the Ziegler Company, then run back on Railroad Street in the lower lane, turning right into the gravel DEDA lot to finish back inside Bayfront Park.

Traffic closures will begin at 8:30 a.m., at which time Railroad Street will close to west bound traffic at the DECC north gate and at the bottom of the Railroad Street connector. East bound traffic will be blocked at Garfield Avenue.

Business traffic to Bend Tech and Ziegler will be allowed on Railroad Street. No traffic will be allowed further east than the race turnaround point near the Ziegler Company.

At about 8:50 a.m., all southbound 5th Avenue West traffic will be diverted down the connector to Railroad Street.

The Great Lakes Aquarium lot will be closed briefly at this time, and will re-open about 9:15 a.m. Officers will be on post to assist vehicles in and out of that lot during this time, if possible. All DECC entrances will remain open during this event.

Duluth Police are asking individuals driving in the area to use caution watching for pedestrians, runners and Duluth Police Officers directing traffic.

