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DATE: 11/19/2020

SUBJECT: Traffic Advisory: Christmas City of the North Parade

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**NATURE OF INCIDENT: Traffic Advisory** 

**CASE NO.:** 

INCIDENT DATE: 11/20/2020 INCIDENT TIME: 3:00 PM - 8:30 PM

INCIDENT LOCATION: Harbor Drive and Railroad St. near the DECC

[DULUTH, MN] On Friday, November 20, the Christmas City of the North Parade will be filmed near the DECC. Due to concerns over COVID-19, this year's Parade is being produced for broadcast only and is closed to all spectators. Spectators who attempt to access the Parade set-up or filming areas will be asked to leave.

The Parade can be viewed on KBJR Channel 6.1, starting at 6:30 p.m., Friday.

### **ROAD CLOSURES:**

Starting at 4:30 p.m., portions of 5th Ave. W., Harbor Drive, and Railroad St., near the DECC, will close to traffic to allow parade units to line up for filming.

Parade units arriving for the event must approach the area by traveling eastbound from Garfield Avenue on Railroad Street.

Vehicles not in the parade are discouraged from using Railroad Street during this time due to closed streets and added congestion.

Traffic should return to normal by approximately 8:30 p.m.

### NO PARKING AREAS:

Motorists should not be parked on Harbor Drive or Railroad St. after 3:00 p.m. Friday. Vehicles parked in these areas will be tagged and towed.

### **LOCAL BUSINESS ACCESS:**

Motorists wanting to access Canal Park or Minnesota Point, must do so from Lake Avenue. There will be no direct pedestrian or vehicle access between Canal Park and the DECC area during the closure.

Motorists wanting to access the DECC for DECC events, Lakes 10 Theater, Pier B Resort, or other Railroad St. businesses, will only be able to do so from 5th Ave. W. No other traffic should use 5th Ave. W. during this time.

Businesses on Railroad St., including Pier B Resort, will also remain accessible from Garfield Avenue throughout the road closure time.

All traffic which accesses the Railroad St. area from 5th Ave. W. will be directed westbound on Railroad St. to Garfield Ave. to exit during Parade set-up.

Visitors to the Lake Superior Aquarium will not be allowed to drive in to the Aquarium parking lot, starting at approximately 4:30 p.m.

The COVID testing site behind the DECC will not be accessible by vehicle, starting at 4:30 p.m., and no vehicles should be parked on Harbor Drive after 3:00 p.m.

Drivers should remain alert to congestion in the DECC and Canal Park areas, be aware of no parking signs, and use caution when driving in the area of this event.

# TRAFFIC ADVISORY

