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STREET CLOSINGS AND DETOURS PLANNED TO ACCOMMODATE SUMMER ARTS FESTIVAL

To accommodate the 2008 Omaha Summer Arts Festival presented by First National Bank, several downtown streets will be closed to traffic. In addition, detours and traffic flow changes will be implemented to assist in traffic flow around the downtown and Old Market areas.

The following streets will be closed on the dates listed:

- Farnam Street, 10th to 13th Streets to be closed from Noon Thursday, June 26 until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, June 29.
- 11th Street, Farnam Street to the alley half way to Harney Street, to be closed from Noon Thursday, June 26 until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, June 29.
- Farnam Street, 13th to 15th Streets to be closed from 6:00 p.m. Thursday, June 26 until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, June 29.
- 13th Street from Douglas to Harney Streets to be closed from 6:00 p.m. Thursday, June 26 until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, June 29.
- 14th Street from Douglas to Harney Streets to be closed from 9:30 a.m. Friday, June 26 until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, June 29.

Meters in these areas will be bagged and there will be no street access or parking through 11:59 on Sunday, June 29, at which time all streets will re-open.

Traffic flow will be changed on the following streets on the dates listed:

- Harney Street from 10th to 15th Streets will become a two-way street beginning Thursday, June 26, 2008 at 6 p.m. through Sunday, June 29, 2008 at 11:59 p.m.

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- Four-way stops will be implemented at 13th and Harney, 14th and Harney Street and 15th and Harney Streets beginning Thursday, June 26, 2008 at 6 p.m. through Sunday, June 29, 2008 at 11:59 p.m.
- Drivers exiting the Landmark Parking Garage will make a mandatory right turn (westbound) on Harney Street beginning Thursday, June 26, 2008 at 6 p.m. through Sunday, June 29, 2008 at 11:59 p.m.
- Beginning Thursday, June 26, 2008 at 6 p.m. through Sunday, June 29, 2008 at 11:59 p.m., when traveling west on Harney Street from the Landmark Parking Garage, drivers will have to choose between turning left (southbound) at 14th Street or turning right (northbound) at 15th Street. There will be no westbound traffic on Harney Street west of 15th Street during this period.

Metro Area Transit Bus riders are encouraged to call 341-0800 for more information about how the street closings will affect their routes.

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