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Bike MS: West Michigan June 10-11, 2023

**Attachments:** 

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Dear City/ Township Supervisor,

We are excited to inform you that the National MS Society, Michigan Chapter will once again be in your area on Saturday June 10th and Sunday June 11th, 2023 for our Bike MS Great Lakes West Michigan Breakaway Ride. 2023 marks the 37th year the Bike MS Ride has taken place. It is a two-day event that hosts 300 cyclists that will ride between 30 and 200 miles to raise money to help fund cutting edge research, facilitate programs, and provide services to the more than 18,000 people living in Michigan with Multiple Sclerosis.

## **Event Schedule**

7:00 AM – (Saturday and Sunday) – Riders depart Hope College and will ride between 30 and 100 miles before they finish at the Hope College campus.

5:00 PM - The route will be closed to all riders.

Medical support will be provided by volunteer First Responders. In addition, Amateur Radio Operators provide our communications during the event and keep us apprised of any critical situations. A crisis communication plan has been developed and is in place to address situations that may occur during the event. To make this plan as comprehensive as possible, we are asking you to fill out the attached form and return it to us indicating any emergency shelters near our route that may be used by our participants and volunteers in the case of severe weather or other hazardous situations. In addition, we ask that you pass this information along to the Fire and Police Departments. I have attached a copy of last year's route map for your records, as we hope to keep the same route, pending any construction.

Regardless of whether emergency shelter is available in your township, please sign and email to  $\underline{\text{Kelly.Sakroafos@nmss.org}}.$ 

Should you have any questions or need additional information please contact me at 248-936-0352.

Regards,

## **Kelly Sakorafos**

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