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## CITY OF LATHRUP VILLAGE

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### LETTER TO RESIDENTS

The City of Lathrup Village is a diverse community and we welcome the opportunity to partner and collaborate with a number of public, private, non-profit and faith-based organizations. These partnerships do not imply any endorsement. Recently, a packet of information was shared with residents which unfortunately may have given the impression that the City was advocating a particular religious belief. We do apologize for leaving this impression.

For the past two years, Logos Global Ministries has been hosting a Back2School Rally benefiting the families of the SOS Shelter in Lathrup Village. This year we joined forces to be able to expand the Back to School event to the whole community. Other partners involved in the event include Oakland County Parks & Recreation, the Lathrup Village Women's Club, Altruis Benefit Consulting, among many others. We're hoping to giveaway free school supplies for up to 300 children. The packet shared information about this event and the Family Fun Days.

We are very proud to have a variety of sponsors, including: Oakland County Parks & Recreation, Starbucks Coffee, Meijer, Sun Communications, the Lathrup Village Women's Club, 8 Mile Foodland, Lathrup Village DDA, and Altruis Benefit Consulting. We welcome the sponsorship and support from all Lathrup Village organizations for the Back to School program and other community events.

We regret that some residents were understandably upset about having the city's information included with the literature from a faith-based organization. Although, we appreciate the LOGOs effort as a community partner to assist in promoting the event, we will be more mindful in the future on how information is shared and the content.

Thank you for your understanding.

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