Dear Mr. Wheeler and Ms. Fortin,

The Berlin High School Backers are writing to request permission to hold the annual BHS Homecoming Parade and Bonfire on Friday September 24, 2021, beginning at 5:00pm as part of the 2021 BHS Homecoming festivities.

We are requesting permission to utilize the same parade route as in the past. The parade would begin at the 12th Street Bridge and proceed south down Main Street to Iceland Street across from the Northern Forest Heritage Park. This is the same route that we used in previous years and is an established route that all city departments are familiar with.

We ask that the route be closed from 5:00pm to 8:00pm from the start of staging to the end of the parade. We understand if the lower part of this route needs to remain open until 6:00 to accommodate local businesses. This would allow for parade participants to safely prepare for the parade, line up with the floats and proceed down Main Street. The actual parade would start at 7:00pm. The parade would end with the annual bonfire event at Northern Forest Heritage Park. As in past years, we ask that the corner of Norway Street to Iceland Street and the southern end of Norway Street from Brown School to the corner of Iceland Street be labeled "no parking" to accommodate the redirected traffic.

As part of the planning process we will be meeting with the city departments coordinating this event. As this is my first year involved with the Backers Officers, please feel free to let me know if I have forgotten anything, and please let us know of any restrictions due to Covid.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our request. We appreciate your continued support of the BHS Backers and the students of Berlin High School. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns by calling me, Becky, at <u>603-723-9833</u> or by sending an e-mail to the Backers at <u>berlinbackers@gmail.com</u>.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely, Rebecca Woodward, President BHS Backer's 2021-2022