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Parade Grand Marshal Announced

Michigan City, IN – Michigan City Mayor Chuck Oberlie made the following announcement with respect to the Summer Festival Parade scheduled for Sunday, July 5th:

“I am pleased to announce today that the 2009 Summer Festival Parade Grand Marshal will be Mike Pease, Chairman of the Drum & Bugle Corps Events that are at the heart of our annual Summer Festival series of events. Mike first became Chairman of the Drum & Bugle Corps Show in 1998 and he has served in exemplary fashion in that capacity for twelve years.

Mike and his wife Robin have traveled to many places across the United States and Canada to witness Drum & Bugle Corps perform. We are fortunate to have his expertise here in Michigan City to manage all of the logistics needed to create the pageantry of our annual Drum & Bugle Corps Show. He has been rewarded for his effort by receiving the Drum Corp International Show of the Year Award in both 1999 and 2006.

Mike has also been successful in arranging for visiting Drum Corps to participate in the Summer Festival Parade. Most notably for this year, eight of the nine Drum Corps that are coming to Michigan City are expected to march in the parade.

Drum Corps that visit Michigan City every summer help bring tens of thousands of dollars into our local Michigan City economy. But, more importantly for parents around the world, they know that their kids will be safe and in the good hands of Mike Pease during their stay in Michigan City.

We applaud Mike for his dedication to youth around the world and his dedication to helping Michigan City. And we are honored to help Mike complete his journey from marching as a baritone bugler with the Maple City Cadets of LaPorte from 1969 through 1971 to now leading the parade as our Grand Marshal.”