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News Advisory

(Saint Paul) – Saint Paul Councilmember Dave Thune will be hosting a press conference on Thursday, September 27, 2007 at 4p.m. in City Hall, to announce the First Urban Youth Camping Experience in Saint Paul this weekend.

Councilmember Thune has been leading this effort of establishing a location for organized youth camping experiences in Saint Paul for over 15 years. Lilydale Park will be host to the first kind of these experiences this Friday, September 28. Thune has partnered with a number of area organizations to make this experience come to life.

Thune has a long history of being involved with area youth organizations. As a member of the Boys Scouts of America, Thune followed in his father's footsteps and achieved the highest possible honor in Boy Scouts, the Eagle Scout. Years after becoming an Eagle Scout, Thune became a Scoutmaster and helped his own son achieve the highest honor of Eagle Scout as well. The Boy Scouts of America have a longstanding tradition of having youth engage in outdoor experiences such as camping.

Saint Paul Councilmember Dave Thune will be host to this press conference.

Expected to be in attendance: Marnie Wells; Mayor Chris Coleman's Second Shift Initiative Coordinator, Grit Youngquist; Friends of Lilydale Park, Jocelyn Hall; YWCA Program Manager and a variety of other youth organization leaders.



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