Internal Revenue Service

Friends of the Rouge 24401 Ann Arbor Trl. Dearborn Hts. MI 48127

Date: October 21, 2002

Department of the Treasury

P. O. Box 2508 Cincinnati, OH 45201

Person to Contact:

Ms. Edwards 31-07427 Customer Service Representative

Toll Free Telephone Number:

8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. EST 877-829-5500

Fax Number:

513-263-3756

Federal Identification Number:

38-2672879

Dear Sir or Madam: . .

This letter is in response to your request for a copy of your organization's determination letter. This letter will take the place of the copy you requested.

Our records indicate that a determination letter issued in June 1987 granted your organization exemption from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. That letter is still in effect.

Based on information subsequently submitted, we classified your organization as one that is not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because it is an organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

This classification was based on the assumption that your organization's operations would continue as stated in the application. If your organization's sources of support, or its character, method of operations, or purposes have changed, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on the exempt status and foundation status of your organization.

Your organization is required to file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax, only if its gross receipts each year are normally more than \$25,000. If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of the organization's annual accounting period. The law imposes a penalty of \$20 a day, up to a maximum of \$10,000, when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay.

All exempt organizations (unless specifically excluded) are liable for taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (social security taxes) on remuneration of \$100 or more paid to each employee during a calendar year. Your organization is not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Organizations that are not private foundations are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, these organizations are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes.

Donors may deduct contributions to your organization as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to your organization or for its use are deductible for federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

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Your organization is not required to file federal income tax returns unless it is subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If your organization is subject to this tax, it must file an income tax return on the Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter, we are not determining whether any of your organization's present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

The law requires you to make your organization's annual return available for public inspection without charge for three years after the due date of the return. If your organization had a copy of its application for recognition of exemption on July 15, 1987, it is also required to make available for public inspection a copy of the exemption application, any supporting documents and the exemption letter to any individual who requests such documents in person or in writing. You can charge only a reasonable fee for reproduction and actual postage costs for the copied materials. The law does not require you to provide copies of public inspection documents that are widely available, such as by posting them on the Internet (World Wide Web). You may be liable for a penalty of \$20 a day for each day you do not make these documents available for public inspection (up to a maximum of \$10,000 in the case of an annual return).

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your organization's exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it with the organization's permanent records.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

This letter affirms your organization's exempt status.

Sincerely,

John E. Ricketts, Director, TE/GE Customer Account Services

Internal Revenue Service

Date: January 19, 2005

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Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your Form 8822 Change of Address dated October 18, 2004.

In June 1987, we issued a determination letter that recognized your organization as exempt from federal income tax. Our records indicate that your organization is currently exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that your organization is also classified as a public charity under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that contributions to your organization are deductible under section 170 of the Code, and that you are qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Internal Revenue Code.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,

Janna K. Skufer

Janna K. Skufca, Director, TE/GE Customer Account Services



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STATE TREASURER

NP-0003125

Friends of the Rouge 24401 Ann Arbor Trail Dearborn Heights, MI 48127

THIS EXEMPTION/FORM IS	NOT TRANSFERABLE
TO ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL	OR ENTITY.

Effective Date

June 12, 1990

This letter serves as notice to a seller that your organization qualifies to buy goods and services without paying the Michigan sales or use tax. TREASURY DOES NOT ISSUE TAX EXEMPT NUMBERS.

To buy goods and taxable services without paying a sales or use tax, present:

- · a copy of this letter, and
- a completed certificate (below) certifying to the seller that the goods or services being purchased are for purposes of the organization and are being paid for from organizational funds. The seller must keep a copy of this certificate with the record of the sale.

Please note the following:

- This exemption does not apply to the purchase of tangible personal property or to the purchase of vehicles that are not used primarily to carry out the purposes of your organization as stated in your bylaws or articles of incorporation.
- Employees or members may NOT use this exemption to purchase goods or services for personal use.

The Michigan Department of Treasury may review your exempt status at any time to verify your eligibility. If the Internal Revenue Service revokes your exempt status, if a Treasury audit discovers non-exempt status, or if for any other reason your organization no longer qualifies for exemption, then your organization is subject immediately to sales or use tax on its purchases.

Please notify us if you have a name or address change.

If you have any questions, please write or call this office at (517) 636-4230.

Sincerely.

Dale P. Vettel, Administrator Technical Services Division

CERTIFICATE REQUIRED FOR TAX-EXEMPT SALES

I certify that the item or items being purchased are to be used or consumed in connection with the operation of the exempt institution or agency named above and that the consideration for this purchase moves from the funds of the designated institution or agency. In the event this claim is disallowed, the transferee promises to reimburse the seller for the amount of tax involved.

Signature of Authorized Representative of Non-Profit Organization	Date
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