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## INFORMATION RELEASE

Subject: National Night Out – August 4, 2009 Date: June 23, 2009

## **Summary:**

National Night Out (NNO) is the brainchild of National Association of Town Watch Executive Director Matt A. Peskin. He said, "It's a wonderful opportunity for communities nationwide to promote police-community partnerships, crime prevention, and neighborhood camaraderie. While the one night is certainly not an answer to crime, drugs and violence, National Night Out does represent the kind of spirit, energy and determination that is helping to make many neighborhoods safer places throughout the year. It [NNO] is a night to celebrate safety and crime prevention successes - and to expand and strengthen programs for the next 364 days."

"America's Night Out Against Crime" is Tuesday, **August 4th**, from 7:00 PM until 10:00 PM. While the traditional 'lights on' and front porch vigils remain a part of NNO, activities have expanded considerably over the years. It is hoped that the citizens of our community will coordinate block parties, cookouts, visits from police/firefighters, and neighborhood walks.

JPD is coordinating police/fire personnel visits to various block parties/cookouts throughout the community. Anyone interested in hosting such an event in their neighborhood is encouraged to register as a **Block Captain**. Block Captain registration forms can be found at <a href="https://www.juneaupolice.com">www.juneaupolice.com</a>. Once the form is filled out, either drop it by the police department building or fax it to us at 463-4808.

Our officers and firefighters are looking forward to visiting with you at your event!

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