

3 Authorization to grant waivers to various special event organizers for events that
4 impede access to Lincoln Memorial Drive on various dates in 2026, by recommending
5 adoption of the following:

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7 **A REVISED RESOLUTION**
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9 WHEREAS, Section 47.031(5), Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances
10 (the Code), requires any event sponsor who wishes to conduct an event that impedes
11 access to Lincoln Memorial Drive (LMD) to petition the Milwaukee County Board of
12 Supervisors, through the Committee on Parks and Culture (P&C), for a waiver if their
13 event does not conform to one or more conditions or restrictions listed in Sections
14 47.031(1) through (4) of the Code; and

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16 WHEREAS, eight event organizers have applied to the Department of Parks,
17 Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) for special event permits that would impede access to
18 LMD on various dates in 2026; and

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20 WHEREAS, these events have brought thousands of participants and visitors to
21 Milwaukee County, increasing exposure and contributing directly to our local economy;
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24 WHEREAS, event organizers are required to pay all fees required by DPRC for
25 closing LMD, and permitting to host its event on park property; and

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27 WHEREAS, event organizers must also apply for and receive permits from the
28 City of Milwaukee; and

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30 WHEREAS, discussions with lakefront stakeholders will occur, and every effort
31 will be made to minimize business interruption along the routes; and

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33 WHEREAS, access to lakefront venues will be coordinated with the Milwaukee
34 County Sheriff's Office; and

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36 WHEREAS, P&C, at its meeting of January 22, 2026, recommended adoption of
37 File No. 25-882 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

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39 BE IT RESOLVED, the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture is hereby
40 authorized to grant waivers, in the form of Special Event Permits, for the following
41 events that impede access to portions of Lincoln Memorial Drive in 2026:
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Event Name	Date(s)	Time(s)
Milwaukee Marathon	April 11, 2026	5:45 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.
United Performing Arts Fund Ride for the Arts	May 31, 2026	5:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
Harley-Davidson Homecoming Festival	July 10, 2026 July 11, 2026	9:00 A.M. – 12:00 A.M. 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 A.M.
Northwestern Mutual Roots and Wings Walk	July 19, 2026	5:45 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.
USA Triathlon	August 7, 2026 August 8, 2026 August 9, 2026	9:30 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. 4:15 A.M. – 7:00 P.M. 4:15 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.
Gourdy's Pumpkin Run	September 19, 2026	5:45 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
Lakefront Marathon	October 4, 2026	5:00 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.
Milwaukee Turkey Trot	November 26, 2026	8:15 A.M. – 9:45 A.M.

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