



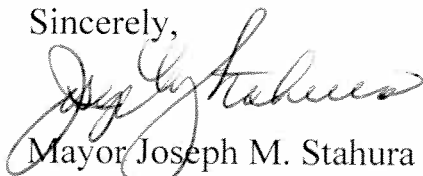
Whiting

February 12, 2010

The City of Whiting, Indiana is proud to be the host of the Alternate Power Initiative to be held in August 2010. Whiting, "The Little City on the Lake", has a unique connection with the transportation industry. It was here, on the southern shore of Lake Michigan, in 1889 that the Standard Oil Company built its first refinery and in 1909 developed the first practical process for the "cracking" of heavy oil to produce gasoline. This event then ushered in the age of the automobile. Just as the internal combustion engine automobile has changed American life for all time, it is our hope that the innovations inspired by the Alternate Power Initiative will revolutionize the field of transportation. The possibility to introduce an era of clean efficient transportation that is environmentally friendly, technologically sound and simple is a great challenge that can provide enormous benefit.

We look forward to this gathering of inventive minds and invite all who share an interest in innovation and automobiles to join us on August 28, 2010 in Whiting Indiana for a race for the future.

Sincerely,



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