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SUBJECT: DADS AND MOMS OF MICHIGAN 2008 GOALS

DADS and MOMS of Michigan is proud of the accomplishments in 2007 and looks forward to an even better year in 2008. This includes the work of *DADS of Michigan*, *MOMS of Michigan*, *DADS of Michigan PAC*, and the *DADS and MOMS of Michigan University*. It does not happen without your support.

- Conduct multiple monthly education programs around the State featuring Judges, State representatives, and notable authorities of family court, family law counsel, and education.
- Launch Sons and Daughters organizations at Colleges and Universities to promote responsible parenting, with University student organizations.
- Expand the *DADS and MOMS University* education series of programs to include Family Support Programs, Family Court Basics, Parenting Time, Divorce Recovery, Parenting Skills, etc. Increase the Staff and Educators to deliver additional educational offerings throughout the State, including Authors and Clergy assisting more than 4,000 families. Add 10 qualified educators to the Staff.
- Service more than 150 hotline calls per month, providing real education and support that the State and Federal Government do not provide. Tract and report the results.
- Double the number of constituents and members, supporters from 18,000 to 36,000.
- Develop a Men's Resource Center and library at Michigan State University.
- Conduct an Awards Banquet and recognize great advocates of Family support.
- Co-Sponsor the August 2008 DC Rally in Washington DC.
- Co-Sponsor the Fathers Day Picnic June 2008 to support Families and Fathers.
- Sponsor the Dream Cruise media event and media tent in Birmingham, MI.
- Sponsor the 2008 Bicycle Marathon to Washington, DC with Robb MacKenzie and Robert Pederson (et al) riding more than 700 miles from Lansing to Washington, DC in support of Shared Parenting.
- Recruit several esteemed members to the Board of Directors.
- Expand the coalition of organizations (Stepparents, Grandparents, faith based) in Michigan supporting family reform;
- Increase our profile within Michigan with the Department of Human Services, Child Protective Services, Head Start, Chare, Partnership for Dads, Michigan Family Services, etc.
- Conduct the Equal Parents Week program in Lansing in September drawing national support.
- Provide radio, television, and newspaper interviews and reports.
- Provide emotional and information support to members at court hearings.
- Provide monthly educational eNewsletters to inform members of developing events and tips.
- Provide significant growth in Western Michigan, Lansing, Traverse City, and the Upper Peninsula. Grow 3 additional centers of excellence.
- Increase the council of experts of the *DADS and MOMS of Michigan* research teams.
- Improve their financial performance and accounting, converting to electronic payments and reporting. Continue compliance with State and IRS reporting requirements. Register for the Combined Federal Campaign. Complete IRS filings and audit of financial statements.
- Provide liability insurance for the Board and events, audit report, and strong financial accounting.
- Apply for grant applications to DHHS, State of Michigan, and other Foundations.

"Fathers are responsible parents too...because the best parent is both parents"