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SPOKANE LILAC FESTIVAL ANNOUNCES THE 2009 PARADE THEME

The Spokane Lilac Festival is proud to announce the theme of the 2009 Armed Forces Torchlight Parade.

Each year, the Spokane Lilac Festival Association selects a President from among their directors. And it's up to that president to choose the theme for the parade.

This year's president, Michael P. Waldrip, has chosen the theme, "I LOVE A PARADE".

Waldrip's love affair with the parades began when he was a young a boy. It was then that he would "go door to door in my neighborhood announcing: 'There's going to be a parade.'"

"I'm fortunate to have had the privilege of growing up in the Lilac City and I treasure this community tradition." so again, Waldrip says, "There is going to be a parade. That's why I'd like to personally invite you to join me for the 2009 'I Love a Parade' Torchlight Parade on Saturday, May 16, 2009."

Of course, there's more to see and do than just the parade. For a complete list of Festival Week activities, visit www.SpokaneLilacFestival.org.

The Spokane Lilac Festival Association is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization whose mission is to honor our military, nurture our youth and promote the Spokane region through ambassador outreach. The Spokane Lilac Festival also hosts the largest Armed Forces Torchlight Parade in the Nation, celebrating over 70 years of tradition. For more information please visit www.SpokaneLilacFestival.org.

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**2009 THEME
"I LOVE A PARADE"**



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