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Kenner Police to participate in Law Enforcement Torch Run on May 19th (Public invited to run with Law Enforcement)

KENNER — The Kenner Police Department along with Louisiana State Police Troop B, Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office Harahan Police Department, Probation and Parole, DEA, FBI, Secret Service, U.S. Marshals and numerous other agencies, military, and civilians will participate in the 30th annual Louisiana Law Enforcement Torch Run on Thursday, May 19, 2016 to benefit Special Olympics Louisiana. Local officers have carried the "Flame of Hope" for Special Olympics throughout the area since the event came to Louisiana in 1985. To date, the Law Enforcement Torch Run is the largest fundraising and public awareness campaign for Special Olympics programs around the world. This great event is open to the public. This is a group formation run at a 10 minute mile pace. There are neither walkers nor bikers in this event for safety reasons.

The route for the Jefferson Parish leg of the Louisiana Law Enforcement Torch Run: Beginning at approximately 8:00 a.m., runners will start at Lafreniere Park, 3000 Downs Blvd. in Metairie, and will run west on Veterans Blvd towards the Kenner Police Complex, located at 500 Veterans Blvd, where the run will end. The length of the route is approximately 3.1 miles. The cost will be \$25.00 which will include registration, T-shirt, food, and entertainment after the run. To have your shirt for the run you must register no later than May 1, 2016.

For more information to run, purchase shirts or donate (all money raised will go to Louisiana Special Olympics) please contact Officer James Virgil of the KPD Community Relations Division at (504) 712-2395 or jvirgil@kennerpd.com. If you would like to set up an interview or film footage of the Law Enforcement Torch Run, please contact Lieutenant Brian McGregor at (504) 712-2252 or bmcgregor@kennerpd.com. For more information on Special Olympics Louisiana, visit www.laso.org or contact them at (800) 345-6644.

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