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Dear Friends and Community Neighbors:

I would like to extend a personal invitation to you to join us at the 8th Annual Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival. The Festival celebrates an important aspect of Lowell's cultural diversity - its Southeast Asian Community. It showcases Southeast Asian boat races, traditional and contemporary performances and dances, international foods, handcrafted arts, and an art exhibition from Southeast Asia. This year's event will partake on Saturday, August 21, 2004 from 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, with a newly added traditional Floating Candles Ceremony that is particularly intended to draw visitors from beyond the Southeast Asian Community. This ceremony which includes floating candles, incense and flowers is dedicated to each of our personal hopes and aspirations for a prosperous, dignified, and healthy life – something people everywhere strive for. It will take place on Friday evening, August 20, 2004 in the downtown Lowell area. A number of activities are planned between 6:00 PM and 10:00 PM with the Floating Candle Ceremony expected to begin around 8:30 PM.

The Festival, which has been held in Lowell for the last 7 years, is a reflection of an important aspect of Lowell's cultural diversity—its 3rd largest population – its Southeast Asian Community. Lowell's Cambodian Community is also the 2nd largest Cambodian community in the United States. Southeast Asians believe – "Water is Life". To celebrate this belief, Cambodian, Thai, Lao and Vietnamese people come together in Lowell to celebrate the connection of water to all aspects of life–food, agriculture, spirituality and economic prosperity. The Festival usually draws 50,000-60,000 visitors each year and its admission is free.

This year, the Festival is made possible by the Board and Event Coordinator, Tooch Van of the Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival, Inc, my co-honorary chair, Mayor Armand Mercier. Other committee members' representatives from a number of Lowell based organizations such as the Cambodian Mutual Assistance Association of Greater Lowell, Inc., the Lao Family Mutual Assistance, Light of Cambodian Children, Inc., the Thai Association of Boston, and the Wat Buddha Bhavan Temple. Sponsors for this year's Festival include the Theodore Edson Parker Foundation, the Wang Foundation, Ira Toyota/Nissan of Tewksbury, Trinity EMS. Inc, the Cambodian Mutual Assistance Association of Greater Lowell, Inc., the Lao Family Mutual Assistance, Light of Cambodian Children, Inc. the Thai Association of Boston, Lowell Heritage State Park, Lowell National Historical Park Service, the Jericho Road Project, the City of Lowell, Trairantanaram Temple, Vietnamese Community of Greater Lowell, local business, community organizations and numerous volunteers.

Please enjoy the 8th Annual Lowell's Southeast Asian Water Festival and explore yourself in the Southeast Asia's cultural enrichment.

Rithy Uong

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History of the Water Festival

For many centuries in Southeast Asia, the Water Festival is an annual event celebrating the connection of water in all aspects of life — food, agriculture, spirituality and economic prosperity. Water has always represented prosperity, life and goodness to the Southeast Asian people. Buddhist scripture explains that the Water Festival is held to thank the spirit of the water, to pray for evil spirits to go away, and to honor the Dragon King (Naga) who dwells in the water. The Water Festival is a time to be thankful for the rivers, lakes and ponds that villagers depend upon for their livelihood and economic development.

In the capitals of Laos, Cambodia, Thailand and Vietnam, during the boat races, known as "Bon Om Tuk in Khmer"; "Boun Song Hae" in Laotian, "Keng Loeur" in Thai and "Le hoi dua thuyen" in Vietnamese, people of all ages gather at the riverbanks to sing, dance, and watch the boat races for three days each November. Families journey from remote areas of the country by cars, motorcycles, bicycles, ox, boats, and in some cases by foot to take part in the festival. Millions come as spectators, cheering from the shore. The brave come to compete in the boat races — determined to win a trophy for their village.

Rowing teams with their colorful hand crafted wooden boats—some as long as 70 feet and holding up to 30 rowers come to compete with enthusiasm, pride and the dream of winning. Long before the race, each team devotes many months to perfecting rowing in unison that is guided by the beating of the drums. Legend is said that team members must embody the spiritual power and strength to become one when they row during competition. After having first prepared the physical condition of their boats, the teams name their boats to capture the essence of the supernatural power. Once in perfect condition, each village boat is blessed by the village monks in preparation for the race.

On the banks of the river, thousands of spectators, young and old alike, crowd over each other as everyone tries to get a better glimpse, cheering on the speeding boats that pass by. Everyone enjoys the sideline entertainments — street vendors and activities along the banks of the river.

Thousands of miles away, along the banks of Lowell's Merrimac River, the water festival tradition continues. Just as the rice paddies that feed the people of Southeast Asia depend on water, so too did the mills that made Lowell a vital part of the Industrial Revolution need the waterfalls of the Merrimack River. We are united in recognizing and celebrating the role of water in our past, present and future. Water is Life!

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Program

Friday Evening (August 20, 2004 at the Lower Locks Area & Middlesex Community College Plaza)

No.	Time	Event
1.	5:30 pm	Raksmey Kampuchea Traditional Musicians
2.	6:15 pm	Blessing Ceremony
4.	6:45 pm	Blessing Dance by Somaly Hay & Co.
5.	6:55 pm	Special Guests
6.	7:05 pm	Peace Dance
7.	7:15 pm	Tivea Propei (Glorious Day) Dance
8.	7:20 pm	Laos National Flower Dance by Tamara Phongsavad
9.	7:25 pm	Raksmey Kampuchea Traditional Musicians
11.	7:40 pm	Bopha Lokei (Flower of the World) Dance
12.	7:45 pm	Buong Suong (Wishing) Dance
13.	8:00 pm	Traditional Music, Blessing of the Canal
14.	8:30 pm	Candle Floats, Soundscape Music by The Jambient Project
15.	9:30 pm	Clean Up

Saturday (August 21, 2004 by the Merrimac River): Main Stage

No.	Time	Event
1.	9:30 am	Raksmey Kampuchea Traditional Musicians & Chhayam
2.	10:00 am	Blessing Ceremony
3.	10:20 am	Raksmey Kampuchea Traditional Musicians
4.	10:30 am	Introduction
5.	10:35 am	"Blessing Dance" by Angkor Dance Troupe
6.	10:45 am	"Blessing Dance" by Thai Cultural Center of New York
7.	10:55 am	Ouy Porn (Blessing Dance) by Lao Sammakom NH
8.	11:00 am	"Water Festival" song
9.	11:05 am	Special Guests (Mayor, etc.)
10.	11:15 am	Children's Dances
		"Homroang" by CMAA Bayon Fine Arts Troupe
		"Tivea Propei - Glorious Day Dance" by Bayon Fine Arts Troupe
		"Kbach Baht" by Bayon Fine Arts Troupe
		"Lam Huaom Phao-Katom" by Watlao Buddhavath of RI
		"Lam Vong Pern Jai-Salabum" by Watlao Buddhavath of RI
11.	11:45 am	Band
12.	12:00 pm	Modern 1
13.	12:30 pm	Observe Boat Races
14.	12:45 pm	Modern 2
15.	1:00 pm	Reamker, Khmer Ramayana by Angkor Dance Troupe
		"Mokor Dance"
		"Hanuman and Sovann Machha"
		"Swa Pol"
16.	1:45 pm	Modern 3
17.	2:00 pm	Multi-Cultural Fashion Show
18.	2:30 pm	Band
19.	3:00 pm	Folk Dances
		"Lao Haom Powl" (Ethnic Unity Dance) by Lao Sammakom NH
		"Mai Dinh Lang Bien" (Temple by the Sea) by Reflections of Roses
		"Dor Boua Thong" (Golden Lotus Flower) by Lao Sammakom Lynn
		"Kratob Mai" by Thai Cultural Center of NY
		"Bong Hong Vietnam" (Reflections of Roses)
		"Tong Tin Luang Pra Bang (Luang Pra Bang District Dance) by
		Lao Sammakom Lynn
20.	3:45	Modern 4
21.	4:00 pm	End of Performances, Welcome Boat Race Teams
22.	4:30 pm	Raffle Drawings, Boat Race Results, and Closing
		1st, 2004 by the Merrimack River) : Stage II
No.	Time	Event

No.	Time	Event	
1.	10:30 am	Band	
2.	11:30 pm	Lao Sammakom of Lynn, Lao Sammakom of NH, and Thai Cultural Center of NY	
3.	12:00 pm	Raksmey Kampuchea Traditional Musicians	
4.	12:15 pm	Observe Boat Races	
5.	12:30 pm	Modern 3	i og
6.	1:00 pm	African Dance	
7.	1:10 pm	Martial Arts Demonstrations	
9.	2:00 pm	Band	
10.	3:00 pm	Modern 1	
11.	3:15 pm	CMAA Bayon Fine Arts Troupe & Watlao Buddhovath of RI	
12.	3:45 pm	Modern 2	
13.	4:00 pm	Band	
14.	4:30 pm	Raffle Drawings, Boat Race Results, and Closing	

International Film Screenings

Saturday, August 21, 2004 National Park Visitor Center 246 Market Street ~ Downtown Lowell

6:00 p.m. "Belonging" a new French Cambodian Film about a young woman's journey back to her homeland.

8:00 p.m. "Reja Borie" a film about preserving Khmer Arts.

Film Screening suggested donation ~ \$4.00 for adults & \$2.00 for children.

The screenings are made possible by: Light of Cambodian Children, Inc., The Nginn Karet Foundation for Cambodia, the Patrick J. Mogan Cultural Center, a program of Lowell National Historical Park and the UMASS Lowell. Free parking available.

FREE BOAT TOURS: Saturday,

August 21, 2004, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. ~ Lowell National Historical Park will be providing free boat tours on the Merrimac River. PICK UP YOUR FREE BOAT TOUR TICKET AT THE LOWELL NATIONAL PARK AND LOWELL SOUTHEAST ASIAN WATER FESTIVAL INFORMATION BOOTHS!

FESTIVAL INFORMATION BOOTHS! The boat tours will be led by park rangers and youth interns from the River Ambassadors Program of the University of Massachusetts Lowell. The tours will begin from the boathouse on the river to the Guard Locks historic site on the Pawtucket Canal. The tour guides will explain how the canals were used for transportation and industry, as well as touching on themes dealing with the environmental history of the Merrimac River Watershed. This will be a great opportunity for some in the festival's great crowd to get out on the water without being in one of the event's racing boats. Since the event thematically centers on the importance of water to the lives and cultures of the Southeast Asian communities, the tours will allow people to experience the water theme directly via the boats. It will be a fun ride and educational, too!



About the Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival, Inc.

The Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival was initiated in the summer of 1997 to bring the tradition of the boat races and the celebration of water to those who are living in the second largest Khmer populated city in the United States. The event has been acclaimed for being the largest water festival in the nation, drawing more than 60,000 participants each year. In 1999, the annual Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival was a critical component in helping make the City of Lowell the recipient of the 1999 All American City. The Festival is now internationally recognized with participants from all walks of life and ethnicities coming from across the country-and internationally from Canada, France and Australia.

The Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival, Inc. became incorporated as a non-profit organization with a Federal tax exempt status as a 501(3)(c) entity in March 2004. The following non-profit organizations are incorporators of the Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival, Inc.:

Cambodian Mutual Assistance Association of Greater Lowell

Lao Family Mutual Association

Light of Cambodian Children, Inc.

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The Board of Directors of the annual Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival, Inc. represents a diverse group of community organizations and individuals. These non-profits and individuals are committed to ensuring that the Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival, Inc. represents a wide number of constituents and voices across the communities.

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8th Annual Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival

For the past eight years, tens of thousands of people have come to Lowell to compete in the festivities of the Annual Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival. The boat races, ethnic foods, crafts vendors, and traditional ceremonies color the banks of the Merrimack River and make this event the largest water festival in the nation.

Cambodia, Laos, South Vietnam, and Thailand celebrate the Water Festival to underscore the importance of water in all aspects of life. Your participation in this festival makes Massachusetts a better place to live by highlighting the traditions and customs of other cultures. I commend the Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival for helping to bring a special taste of Southeast Asia to the Massachusetts community every year since 1997.

As a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, I recognize the importance of learning more about different cultures in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The Lowell community should take great pride in its positive contributions through this festival. Congratulations on making this annual tradition such a spectacular event.

John F. Kerry United States Senator

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The water festival is an enormous undertaking and requires the hard work and dedication of many individuals and organizations to help plan and produce this event. It is this effort that insures that the event has been successful and will continue to be successful in the future.

I am in strong support of this event and would like to take this opportunity to commend the Lowell Southeast Asian Festival, Inc. for all of their hard work.

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While facts regarding the origins and intentions of this ceremony may vary, few would disagree that it is a joyful and 'generosity-based' ceremony whose meaning comes from the hearts of the participants. It is celebrated throughout Southeast Asia as well as at many Temples in the West. The floating candles are normally designed and constructed by the person for the occasion. This 21st Century adaptation, while made from different materials, consists of the traditional candle, incense and flowers. Before releasing it upon the river, the person makes an intention, or prayer, to loved ones, living or deceased, wishing for them all the very best of good health and good fortune.

We suggest that, no matter what our intention, we might also add a prayer for our fallen and wounded soldiers and a prayer for world peace.

Friday Evening, August 20, 2004 Middlesex Community College Plaza

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- 1) Dance of Best Wishes: Also known as the Blessing Dance, this piece is ritually performed at the beginning of all events and programs to rid evil spirits and to bring forth joy and happiness to the audience.
- 2) Glorious Day Dance: A glorious day of ours The children all meet in solidarity For friendship all over the world Heartedly not tiring Living near and far without worries Very happy Solidarity in hand Having glory and prosperity during our celebration The coutry is properous because we love our nation. Performed by a special group of adopted children from Cambodia: Emma, Sothea, Srey Dy, James, Lea, and Solinda.
- 3) Peace Dance: Somaly Hay is a Cambodian Court Dancer trained at the Royal Palace as a young child. The art of Cambodian Court dance, as all the arts of Cambodia, was nearly decimated during the Khmer Rouge regime in the 1970's. Most of the nation's artists were killed or forced to flee the country. In her search for spiritual understanding of the events of September 11, Somaly found her sorrow transformed to a feeling of peace, and was inspired to create this court dance as an expression of healing. The intent is to illustrate the power of the mind, spirit, and soul in achieving inner peace and tranquility. "We pray to the highest power asking for peace and prosperity. Our dance is the gift of peace to all." Performed by Somaly, Rithmaly, Sokphury, Nicole, Brenda, and Sophan.
- 4) Robam Bopha Lokei Flower of the World Dance: The words in the song accompanying this dance are translated as follows: "Usually everybody wants flowers For decoration or to decorate the body The sweet scent of the flowers bring prosperity The beauty of the flowers is like the beauty of the girls Everybody admires the flowers Even the bees surrounding the flowers want pollen Flowers fully bloomed make you want to pick them and turn them into flower garlands."
- 5) The Buong Suong Dance is the climax of a ritual traditionally performed to request the deceased king to protect the kingdom from drought, hunger, or other suffering, and to bring peace. Offerings are made to the four directions prior to the arrival of the dancers who unify this world with the celestial abode of the ancestors.

TAMARA PHONGSAVAD

1) Laos National Flower Dance

Saturday, August 21, 2004 Vandenberg Esplanade on Pawtucket Boulevard

ANGKOR DANCE TROUPE

- 1) The Blessing Dance is traditionally and religiously performed in the Royal palace to get rid of bad spirits and to ask for the deities' blessing for the royal kingdom. Today, the blessing dance is performed at the beginning of all types of performances and ceremonies. It is a dance of greeting and good wishes. During the performance, dancers sprinkle flower petals toward the audience. This is done in hopes of bringing prosperity, peace, and good health to everyone.
- 2) The Mokor Dance is named after its central character—a mythical female sea creature associated with the fertility of rivers, lakes and oceans. Moni Mekhala, goddess of the sea, in her turquoise bodice, dances among an entourage of dancers. While all performers are embellished and bejeweled, male characters are distinguished from female characters by shoulder epaulets and brocaded pantaloons (kben). Females wear long brocaded skirts and sequined velvet sashes across their chests. Together, they manipulate decorated fans, representing the scales of the Mokor.
- 3) Hanuman & Sovann Machha "The white monkey and the golden Mermaid" In the Indian epic the Ramayana, called Reamker in Khmer, the queen Sita was captured and taken to the kingdom of Lanka, far out to sea. The King Rama calls on a famous army general named Hanuman, the White Monkey, to help him rescue his queen. Hanuman and his army of monkeys set about to build a bridge across the ocean to rescue the queen. But as fast they pile up stones for the bridge, the stones mysteriously disappear.

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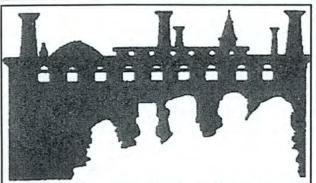
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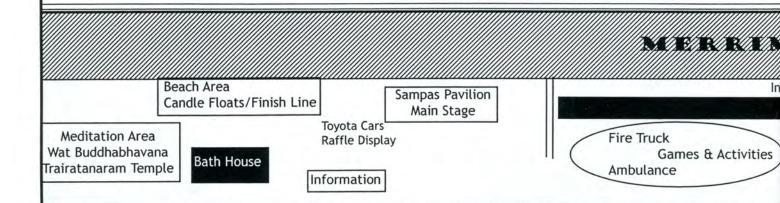
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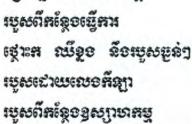
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The white monkey general dives into the sea to investigate. What he discovers is a beautiful golden mermaid named Sovann Machha who has been carrying off the stones in an act of playful vandalism. Hanuman confronts the beautiful but troublesome mermaid Sovann Machha. He can't help but be dazzled by her beautiful and falls in love. And while she initially resists, Hanuman uses a variety of tactics to get her attention and eventually, as the story continues past this chapter, he wins her over as his partner in the fight against evil.

4) Swva Pol - the Soldier Monkeys: In Cambodian legend, monkeys always fight evil; in fact there are army soldiers. After a victorious battle, the monkey soldiers celebrate. They gather food for a feast. This monkey dance is lively and acrobatic, always performed by young boys, who are able to capture the spirit and quick mannerisms of monkeys. Following the original dance, the Troupe will feature some new choreography with elements of modern dance. But if you watch carefully, you will see the dancers remain, throughout it all, Swva Pol, the monkey soldiers.

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- 2) Kratob Mai is a Folk Dance performed by Sasinee Jathuprayoon, Unchana Dhachalupat, Amnaj Jathuprayoon, and Sorawat Ruangamporn.

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- 3) Kbach Baht (basic stretching movements before dance lessons)

Performers:

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May, Sarachedra	Shaughnessy	3
Dam, Chansoriya	Rogers	7
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Leach, Malikah	GLRVT	10
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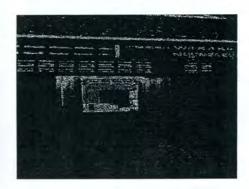
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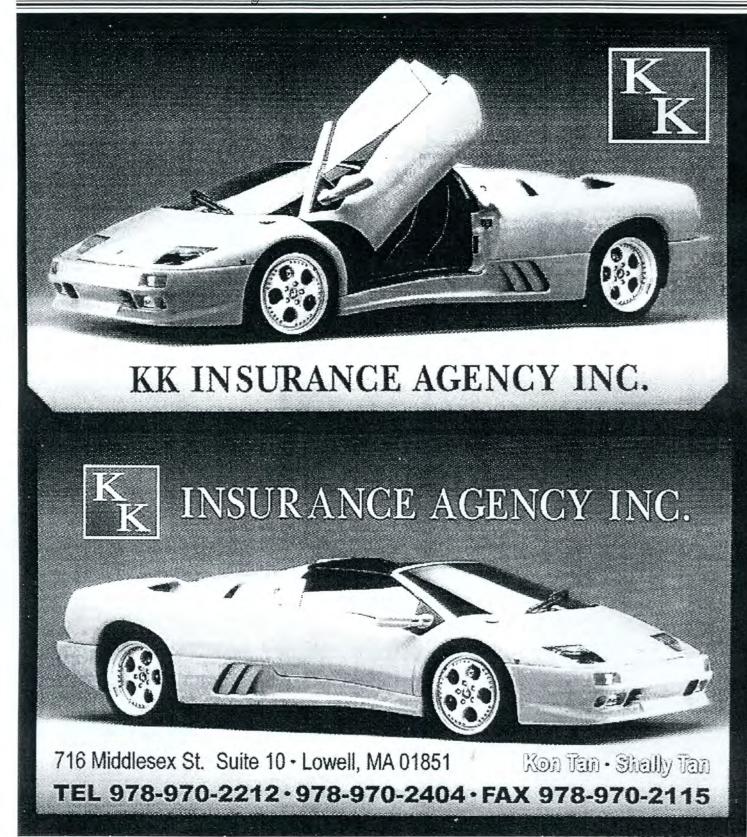


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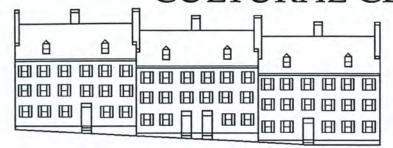
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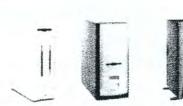
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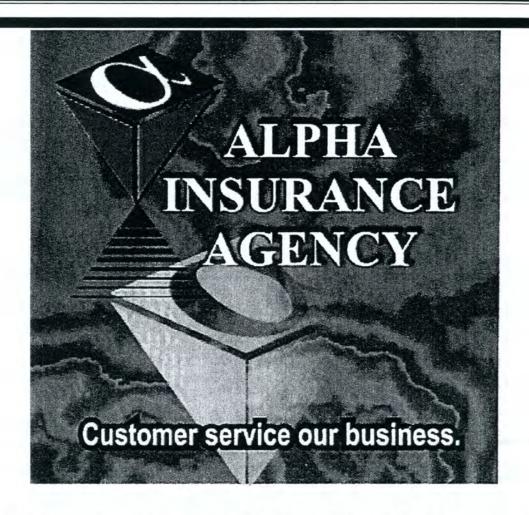
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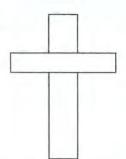
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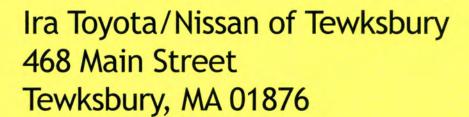
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