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With Sponsors' Help, Fireworks to Light Up Delaware Sky *30,000 expected downtown for spectacular July 4 display*

DELAWARE – Byers Auto Group, Meijer and OhioHealth again are the main sponsors of the City of Delaware fireworks show. Each renewed pledges – Byers as the Presenting Sponsor, Meijer as the Grand Finale Sponsor, and OhioHealth as the Community Spirit Sponsor – for the July 4 spectacle.

An estimated 30,000 people are expected downtown to view Delaware's annual fireworks display Thursday, July 4. The half-hour show will cap an Independence Day in Delaware that includes a parade and free outdoor concert.

Also supporting the show with donations this year are JEG's Automotive, the Delaware Fraternal Order of Eagles, American Structurepoint, CT Consultants, Scioto Energy, PPG and First Commonwealth Bank.

"I want to thank all of our wonderful local partners for their generous support and sponsorship, and for once again making this year's fireworks display possible," Mayor Carolyn Kay Riggle said.

Prior to fireworks, the Central Ohio Symphony will perform its traditional outdoor concert on the Ohio Wesleyan University campus beginning at 7:30 pm. The day once again gets started with the annual parade, beginning at 3 pm. and sponsored by Citizens for The 4th. Parade and concert information is available in the Calendar at delawareohio.net. As in past years, fireworks viewing will be available on the Ohio Wesleyan athletic fields and parking lots along Henry Street, between Wilmer Street and Olentangy Avenue.

The "City of Delaware Community Fund," for fireworks remains active. Tax-deductible contributions can be made to the fund, care of the Delaware County Foundation, 737 Enterprise Dr., Suite A, Lewis Center, Ohio 43035.

CUTLINE: From left, Byers Auto Group Vice President John DuRivage, Delaware Meijer Store Director Rod Cline and OhioHealth Dublin Methodist Hospital and OhioHealth Grady Memorial Hospital President Steve Bunyard, outside of the Delaware Meijer. Byers, Meijer and OhioHealth each renewed fireworks pledges – Byers as the Presenting Sponsor, Meijer as the Grand Finale Sponsor, and OhioHealth as the Community Spirit Sponsor.