Media Advisory

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Illinois Department of Corrections Takes Part in
Law Enforcement Torch Run
Participants will run more than 200 miles to support Special Olympics Illinois

WHAT: The Law Enforcement Torch Run is the single largest year-round fundraising movement benefiting Special Olympics Illinois. The Torch Run has two goals – to raise money and to gain awareness for the athletes who participate in Special Olympics. The Illinois Department of Corrections will carry the Flame of Hope from Marion to Normal, which is the longest continuous Torch Run to ever take place in Illinois! On Tuesday, the runners will begin day two of the Torch Run in Centralia and will pass through Sandoval, Vernon, and Vandalia before ending the day in Ramsey. 85 runners from 15 IDOC facilities will be participating in the event. In 2017, The IDOC was named “Top Fundraising Agency” by Special Olympics Illinois after raising more than $148,000 for the organization.

WHEN: Tuesday, June 12, 2018

WHERE: Temple Baptist Church, 340 Walnut Hill Rd., Centralia, IL 62801

TIME: 8:00 A.M. (Media should arrive at 7:30 A.M.)