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Mayor Fulop & Recreation Department Invite 200 Jersey City Students to a Free Showing of the Movie ‘Selma’ in Honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Weekend

City Sponsoring Free Transportation From Three Locations as Part of Mayor Fulop’s Expanded Recreational Offerings

JERSEY CITY – In honor of the upcoming Martin Luther King, Jr. Day observance, **Mayor Steven M. Fulop** and the **Jersey City Recreation Department** are inviting 200 students to a free showing of the movie “Selma,” at **9:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 17th, 2015**, at the AMC Loews at Newport Centre Mall.

Free transportation will be available from three different locations in the city as part of Mayor Fulop’s expanded recreational offerings.

“We are encouraging our younger residents to learn about Martin Luther King, Jr.’s leadership in the Civil Rights Movement and the role he played in American history,” said **Mayor Fulop**. “In addition to joining us for a free screening of the movie ‘Selma,’ I hope our students will also take the opportunity over the weekend to learn more about Martin Luther King, Jr. and the many people who fought for civil rights in America.”

The movie ‘Selma,’ documents the 1965 Selma to Montgomery voting rights marches led by James Bevel, Hosea Williams and Martin Luther King, Jr. The three Selma to Montgomery marches involved civil rights activists walking the 54-mile highway from Selma to the Alabama capital of Montgomery to exercise their constitutional right to vote. The marches were part of the Selma Voting Rights Campaign that led to the passage of the Voting Rights Act later that year.

Students in grades pre-k through grade 12 will be admitted free of charge and should register with the Recreation Department. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a guardian, and adults pay the full ticket price.

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For tickets and transportation to the movie ‘Selma,’ residents are asked to call the Recreation Department at 201-547-5003 to register, as space is limited to the first 200 students.

Registered guests are asked to arrive at the theater by 9:15 a.m. Free transportation will also be provided from the Bethune Center at 140 Martin Luther King Drive, McDonald’s at the Hub at 398 Martin Luther King Drive, and at the Pershing Field Ice Rink at 201 Central Avenue, departing all three locations at 8:45 a.m. Any guests who need transportation should indicate that when registering with the Recreation Department.

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