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**Subject : National Night Out – August 5, 2008
Redondo Beach to join cities nationwide for ‘America’s Night Out
Against Crime.’**

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**Redondo Beach To Join Cities Nationwide For
“America’s Night Out Against Crime”**

On Tuesday, August 5th, neighborhoods throughout Redondo Beach are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the “25th Annual National Night Out” (NNO) crime and drug prevention event. National Night Out, which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and co-sponsored locally by the Redondo Beach Police Department, will involve over 11,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases around the world. In all, over 35 million people are expected to participate in “America’s Night Out Against Crime” on August 5th. NNO 2008 is being supported in part by TARGET, the national corporate sponsor.

National Night Out is designed to: (1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) Generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime efforts; (3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

From 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on August 5th, residents in neighborhoods throughout Redondo Beach and across the nation, are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors.

This year members of the Redondo Beach Police Department will be holding a safety event at the Redondo Beach Target Store, located at 1601 Kingsdale Avenue, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The safety event will feature Police vehicles on display, a K-9 demonstration, distribution of child identification kits, the neighborhood watch program, the domestic violence advocacy program and the crime prevention program. Free hotdogs and beverages will be offered to those in attendance.

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