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## **Excitement and Anticipation Surround Browns, Indians, and McCartney Concert Goers Tonight**

**CLEVELAND** – The City of Cleveland is excited to welcome all dedicated fans to the downtown area tonight. The Cleveland Browns Preseason Home Opener against the Atlanta Falcons, which kicks off at 8:00 p.m. In addition, the Indians face off against the Chicago White Sox at 7:10 p.m. while the Paul McCartney concert at Quicken Loans Arena gets underway at 8:00 p.m.

The combination of downtown Cleveland residents, visitors, and working professionals in the same area is expected to a busy time; therefore, the City of Cleveland and other downtown area partners would like to provide the following tips to make the experience memorable and enjoyable.

Expect traffic to be heavy in the downtown area and parking will be at a premium.

### **Downtown Cleveland Alliance (DCA):**

Downtown is ready to host this influx of weekday visitors after a summer of activity, including the Republican National Convention and the Cavs Championship parade.

Driving? Use [parking.downtowncleveland.com](http://parking.downtowncleveland.com) to find a convenient lot. Pricing listed may change due to events. Visit [Ohgo.com](http://Ohgo.com) for real time traffic updates on the highway and download the Ohgo App for personalized alerts and travel delays.

If you need directions while walking or biking to any Downtown Destination, keep an eye out for DCA's Ambassadors. The men and women in yellow shirts will be happy to give you directions, lend a hand or walk you to your destination. Ambassadors are also available to assist with lock-outs or flat tires, call the DCA operations center at 216-621-6000.

### **RTA:**

In preparation for the large number of Clevelanders and guests who plan to visit Downtown this Thursday evening, the [Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority](http://Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority) (RTA) plans to ramp up rail service.

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RTA is offering extra rail service before and after each game and the concert. Just park for free at any Rapid Station, buy a \$5.50 All-Day Pass, and ride into the Tower City Station. The All-Day Pass includes free transfers, and is good until 3 a.m. the next day. If you want to stay Downtown to celebrate a victory, remember that most Rapid services operate until midnight.

It's a short walk outside Tower City to Progressive Field and the Q, or use the indoor Walkway for direct access. To reach the Flats or FirstEnergy Stadium, transfer to the Waterfront Line, exit at Flats East Bank or West Third Street Station, and you're there.

### **Parking Restrictions:**

There are no road closures but we do want you to be aware of some **parking restrictions**.

There will be no parking permitted along East 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Huron Road, Lakeside Avenue, and West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. No parking signage is being emplaced and will remain in place until Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. In addition, the 9th street exit ramps will be closed at end of Browns game.

### **Safety:**

Put your junk in the trunk and secure your valuables. Also, while walking around downtown, be sure to travel with a friend, stay alert and if you see something, say something.

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