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Mr. Roy Wilson, Director
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Dear Mr. Wilson:

As you know, the Council recently enacted Ordinance No. BL2009-489 opting the Metro Parks out of the state law that would have allowed hand gun carry permit holders to carry guns in the parks. I have requested our Council legal staff to craft an amendment to this legislation that would exempt certain isolated parks from the firearm ban. To facilitate this legislation, I am requesting that your office identify the parks, greenways and fishing areas in Metro Davison County that are considered to be located in isolated or secluded areas that are not frequently patrolled by the Metro Parks Police and are not in high traffic areas. The purpose of my proposed legislation is to have the Council consider whether it is appropriate to allow carriers of hand gun permits to bring their firearms into those isolated or secluded parks, greenways or fishing areas. In no way do I intend to usurp the intent of Ordinance No. BL2009-489. We simply want to explore carving out exceptions to the general rule.

In accordance with the Metro Council Rules of Procedure, I must write a letter to the department director prior to filing a resolution requesting this information.

Your response is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Sam Coleman
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cc: Vice Mayor Diane Neighbors & Members of Council
Mr. Jon Cooper
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