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To whom it may concern:

Please allow Mr. Steven Sakac to sell fundraising candies in front of your store or shopping mall. He is involved in a legitimate fundraising effort to provide care for his handicapped son, Tony. As a church sponsor of Mr. Sakac and Tony, we can vouch for his character and the legitimacy of his fundraising efforts. He receives very little state assistance, has many medical expenses, and is truly devoted to the care of his son. Allowing him to sell candy in front of your store or shopping mall benefits a very worthy cause.

Please also note that when Mr. Sakac stands Tony up, it is to promote circulation in his son's body. Since Tony must stay in his wheelchair or in bed for long periods of the day, standing him up helps Tony's over-all well being. There is therefore no cause for concern or alarm when Mr. Sakac is seen standing his son up.

Thank you for your consideration.



Sincerely,

Rev. Victor S. Potapov
Rector