# **Directions and Guidelines for Groups Participating in**

# Pre-Game Parades at Target Field

Thank you for supporting the Minnesota Twins through your group's 2014 outing to see the Twins at Target Field. We value group customers like you and we look forward to seeing you at the game! We also congratulate you on your upcoming participation in a pre-game parade. As you may know, several thousand groups attend Twins games each season, but only a small handful of organizations are invited onto the field!

Please carefully review this information well in advance of your pre-game parade in order to properly prepare with your group's participants. (You are welcome to copy or forward any portion of this document in order to better communicate these directions/expectations to them directly.)

## Arriving at Target Field: 11 p.m. Gates Open Your Parade Meeting Time: 12 p.m. PARADE: 12:20 p.m.

• Plan ahead to assure your prompt arrival at the meeting time (above) at the location noted below. Pre-game events are timed to the minute. Those arriving after the scheduled time will not be permitted to participate in the parade.

### Which Gate Should I Enter?

• Although you may enter Target Field through **any gate** (your ticket is required to enter the ballpark,) the closest gate to the pre-game staging area is **Gate 6** located on the Northwest side of the stadium (near the light rail transit station.)

#### Where To I Go In Order To Participate in the Parade?

- After entering the stadium, parade participants and their leaders should proceed immediately to the North Pedestrian Ramp (the ramp heading in a downward direction) located **behind Section 129 in** Left Center Field. Twins staff will direct you down the ramp where you will wait for the parade to begin.
  - All parade participants should have their game tickets in their possession.
  - All other members of your group should proceed directly to your seats.
  - o There is no access to rest rooms in the pre-game staging area, so please plan accordingly!

#### The Parade Begins...:

- At the direction of Twins staff, the group will enter the playing field via the gate in left field and will parade clockwise along the dirt "warning track."
  - o Time is limited, therefore please keep the line moving at a comfortable pace at all times.
  - o Please do not leave the line at any time nor interfere with players warming up nearby.
  - Cameras are welcome, but please do not stop for "posed" pictures. This sort of activity often stops the line and could jeopardize and on-time start for the Twins game.
  - o Please do not step or walk on the Target Field grass.

#### **After The Parade:**

- At the conclusion of the parade, participants will be directed back up the (same) North Pedestrian Ramp and will reenter the Target Field seating "bowl" near section 129.
  - Parents who wish to meet their children after the parade should do so near section 129.
  - o All participants should now proceed to your seats to enjoy the game!
    - Fans seated in the upper levels of Target Field may access another (upward) ramp behind section 128, or go up the escalator near section 126.

<u>Thank you</u> for joining the Minnesota Twins in 2013. We hope you not only enjoy the game, but also this one-of-a-kind pregame experience at Target Field!