

JESSE OWENS MEMORIAL PARK BOARD

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Dr. LeRoy Walker, President
U.S. Olympic Committee
1750 East Boulder Street
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80909

Dear Dr. Walker:

The members of the Jesse Owens Memorial Park Board express our sincere appreciation to you for your support and efforts in seeing that the Olympic Torch Relay is routed through Oakville, Alabama, the birthplace of Jesse Owens.

Events tentatively planned for June 29 include:

- 1) Unveiling the statue of Jesse Owens
- 2) Inviting past Alabama Olympic athletes
- 3) Dedicating of Memorial Park by Mrs. Ruth Owens and Family
- 4) Opening of Park birth-home replica and museum
- 5) Offering a temporary Jesse Owens postal station that will provide pictorial cancellation of cards and envelopes to commemorate the special event

The 15th Annual Jesse Owens Memorial Run on May 18, 1996 will kick off a month-long celebration culminating in the Olympic Torch Visit to Oakville. The Board, the community, and county and state officials will pool resources to make the visit to Oakville memorable for all.

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