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2019 Sun Safety Policy at VanBuren Park

Rationale:

Skin cancer is the most common cancer in the United States. Exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation in sunlight causes nearly all skin cancer cases. The risk for skin cancer can be greatly reduced when certain precautions are practiced. Therefore, *Friends of Fulton Parks at VanBuren Park* is committed to promoting sun safe practices to visitors and staff and will implement the following sun safety policy.

Policy:

- 1. Friends of Fulton Parks at VanBuren Park will promote basic personal strategies for preventing skin cancer for visitors:
- Wear full-body coverage clothing when outside in sunlight including four-inch full-brimmed hats, long-sleeved shirts, and full-length pants (weather permitting).
- Use sunglasses that state they protect from 100% UVA & UVB. A UV-protective coating can be added to prescription glasses.
- Apply full-spectrum (UVA & UVB) sunscreen (SPF 15 or greater) to exposed skin 30 minutes before going outside in the sun. Sunscreen is provided AT NO CHARGE at VanBuren Park.
- Play in shaded areas, when practical.
- Seek shade when outside in the sun. VanBuren Park offers a shaded pavilion and planted trees.
- 2. Friends of Fulton Parks at VanBuren Park will make sunscreen accessible by providing sunscreen to visitors to encourage them to practice sun safety while participating in outdoor recreation activities.
- 3. Friends of Fulton Parks at VanBuren Park will make shade available for visitors under the covered pavilion.
- 4. Visitors will be encouraged and reminded to practice basic personal strategies for preventing skin cancer through onsite communications (ex: verbal reminders, signage, brochures, etc.) at strategic locations.

Policy Monitoring and Review:

Friends of Fulton Parks at VanBuren Park will evaluate and revise this policy on an annual basis.

Contact Regarding Policy:

Contact Friends of Fulton Parks with questions or concerns about the policy.

Date Policy Adopted: April 22, 2019

Date Policy Updated:

Board of Directors Friends of Fulton Parks Inc.

The Friends of Fulton Parks, Inc. is a 501(c)3 corporation and donations to the organization are deductible to the extent provided by law. Tax ID# is 26-3731932. A copy of the latest annual report filed with the State of New York may be obtained by contacting the NY State Attorney General, Dept. of Law, Charities Bureau, 120 Broadway, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10271.