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Dear Friends:

Welcome to the 2009 fair! An annual tradition, Michigan's county fairs highlight our rich agricultural heritage, its diversity, and industry innovation.

Michigan's local and county fairs provide our young people with a unique opportunity to showcase their projects while educating fairgoers about the state's second largest industry. Each time I have attended the fair, I have been amazed by the confidence and accomplishments displayed by Michigan's 4-H and FFA youth as they compete against their peers in livestock shows and other fair competitions. I encourage you to take the time to tour these exhibits and talk to the young people who have worked so hard to prepare for this annual competition.

Also traditions at the fair are great family entertainment and fair food. Don't miss out on the sweet funnel cakes, piping hot corn dogs, juicy caramel apples, and so much more.

So whether you attend your own local fair or are vacationing in Michigan – make the fair a part of your *Pure Michigan* experience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. Granholm', written in a cursive style.

Jennifer M. Granholm  
Governor