

Dear Mayor Strazdas,

What's your favorite city? My favorite city is Portage! The red of the leaves in the fall time, the smell of the flowers by the library in the spring and the sound of the bird's chirping in the bright morning. Portage has all of that. That is why I love Portage!

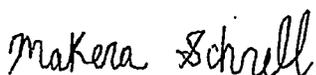
To start with, Portage has a lot of places to see. For example, the Air Zoo is really fun because you get to learn about planes, ride the plane rides and they even have camps there to learn more about planes. Also I enjoy spending time at Lakeview Park where you can go fishing, play on the playground, or ride your bike. When you want to go bowling, Airway lane is where my family goes. For instance you can mini golf, bowl, play arcade games or even have your birthday party there!

Next, there are so many special events in Portage. To support that, there are parades where I enjoy all the colorful floats, and the amazing band. I also enjoy the Portage Central football games and watching the Christmas lights go on the **BIG** Christmas tree.

Lastly, in Portage we have all four seasons. For instance, in the winter my family goes sledding. In the spring, I go to the park to walk my dogs. In the summer I go swimming with my friends at Austin lake. When it's fall time, me and my friends or me and my brother jump in leaf piles.

Do you love Portage as much as I do? In conclusion, Portage has lots of places to see, Portage has all kinds of special events and Portage has all four seasons. Portage has lots of things to do. Therefore, Portage is a very exciting and active city to live in.

Sincerely,



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