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**AWARD-WINNING FILMMAKER MICHAEL MOORE
TO BRING STAR POWER TO LOCAL FUNDRAISER**

The Lansing-based Michigan Peace Team (MPT) is pleased to announce that Academy award-winning filmmaker and author Michael Moore will be speaking at its fundraiser on May 2, 2009 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Democratic Club of Taylor located at 23400 Wick Road, Taylor, Michigan. .

“People know that Michael Moore’s presentation will not be dull, said MPT founder Peter Dougherty. “He will be serious and entertaining at the same time, and will have very interesting insights for us. Michael will fire people up to get involved in making change in America. I admire his passion for justice.”

Moore is the director and producer of *Bowling for Columbine*, *Fahrenheit 9/11*, and *Sicko*, three of the top five highest-grossing documentaries of all time. A native of Flint, Michigan, he was named one of the world’s most influential people by TIME magazine in 2005

Initiated in 1993, to provide civilian peacemakers in the United States and abroad, the Michigan Peace Team (MPT) empowers people to engage in active non-violent peacemaking. The MPT has since placed more than 70 teams in areas throughout the world, from Bosnia to Haiti to Gaza. “We want to have two MPT on-going international teams on the ground in different parts of the world, training people across America and helping them to create peace teams to deal with conflicts in their communities,” said Dougherty.

“We know how to do third-party non-violent intervention and feel a responsibility to do more,” said Dougherty as he reflected on MPT’s budget concerns. “We are asking people to come out to this exciting Michael Moore event so that we can continue and expand our vital work.”

Throughout the evening there will also be a silent auction and musical entertainment. WJBK TV-2 reporter Amy Lange will serve as Emcee for the evening. You can make a reservation on line at www.michiganpeaceteam.org. Donations are \$50 for dinner and program - \$100 for wine and cheese reception including dinner and program.

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