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Help Name Springfield the Most Patriotic Small Town in America

SPRINGFIELD –MAY 24. Rand McNally and USA Today have joined forces to find the best destinations in America through their inaugural web **Best of the Road** contest. Show your hometown pride by voting for Springfield as **Most Patriotic City**. With Springfield's rich Abraham Lincoln legacy, over a million visitors a year from around the globe come to Springfield to learn about one of America's most beloved leaders. Through the telling of the Lincoln story, visitors are immersed in arguably one of the most important and pivotal times in U.S. history through the eyes of this American hero. Voting continues through May 30th. The winning cities will be featured in the 2012 Rand McNally Road Atlas as well as through an advertising layout in USA TODAY.

Voting is simple. Visit www.bestoftheroad.com , register and write a quick review on why Springfield should win the most patriotic city. The winning cities will take part in a New York to California Road Rally, sponsored by Rand McNally and USA Today. Five Rally Teams, who are selected through a similar contest, will take part in the Best of the Road Rally later this summer. Show your patriotic spirit and vote for Springfield today.

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