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March4Freedom To Bring Positive, Anti-Violence Message

Third Annual Event Expected to Attract Hundreds of Young People

The 3rd Annual March4Freedom event is expected to again bring hundreds of Milwaukeeans together in a traffic-stopping show of unity tomorrow, **Saturday, May 23, 2009** along W. Capitol Dr., said Ald. Joe Davis, Sr., one of the event's key sponsors.

Registration for the March4Freedom begins at 7 a.m. on Saturday at N. 34th St. and W. Capitol Dr., with the march scheduled to start at 9 a.m. Marchers will proceed west on Capitol Dr. to N. 60th St., where a youth rally featuring several "special guest" speakers will take place on 60th St. between W. Capitol and W. Congress Streets. Media coverage is invited.

Last year's march brought a huge crowd of participants together from across the city to "show unity and a mutual, positive belief in the future of Milwaukee," said Ald. Davis. "Last year we again showed the community and the world that there are young people in Milwaukee who are doing positive things and who have bright futures ahead," he said. "This year will be even bigger, with more young people making themselves seen, showing their best sides and doing something positive for the community."

Ald. Davis said event organizer Quentin L. Grant, youth director of "Seeds of the Future," has worked and collaborated with an array of community and religious groups, business representatives, educational leaders and others to put the 2009 March4Freedom together. He said young people from the Seeds of the Future organization also stepped up to help organize much of Saturday's big event.

In addition to Ald. Davis, other major sponsors of the event include the City of Milwaukee, V-100.7, Clear Channel Outdoor, Wisconsin Donor Network, Running Rebels, Urban Underground, Beelievers Beyond the Stars, Lowe's, Wal-Mart (Midtown), Safe Streets Initiatives, Milwaukee High School of the Arts, Holy Cathedral COGIC, Word of Hope Ministries, Inc., and many more.