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Alderman To Join Fire Chief Saturday For Neighborhood Walk-Through

*Ald. Ashanti Hamilton and Chief William Wentlandt Will Make Sure Residents Have
Smoke Detectors and Batteries*

Milwaukee Ald. Ashanti Hamilton will join Chief William Wentlandt of the Milwaukee Fire Department in a door-to-door effort to make sure homes are equipped with working smoke detectors.

The walk-through will begin tomorrow, Saturday, October 8, 2005 at 9 a.m. at 5545 N. 36th St. It will then move to 5040 N. 28th St., and when finished the effort will cover several square blocks. Other members of the Milwaukee Fire Department will assist in the effort. Media coverage is invited.

Ald. Hamilton said the project is a vital service to the residents of the neighborhood and also sends a message to the greater public. "How many times have we heard the TV news anchor say 'There was no working smoke detector in the home' when reporting a tragic fire death story?" the alderman said. "The Chief and I will be doing a small but important part in getting the message out that early detection can mean the difference between life and death in a fire, and smoke detectors can literally save your life and the lives of your loved ones."

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