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FOR INFORMATION CALL

September 21, 2009

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MEDIA ADVISORY

Public Works Project Incorporates Wheel Tax Dollars and MORE Worker Provisions

Ald. Willie Wade will be joined by **Alds. Bob Bauman, Ashanti Hamilton and Milele A. Coggs TODAY, September 21, 2009 at 11:30 a.m.** to celebrate the re-opening of 51st St. from Roosevelt Ave. to Capitol Dr. The public works project exemplifies the collaboration of a number of funding resources and new public works initiatives.

The project utilized numerous elements of the MORE community benefits ordinance passed this year. Additionally, the \$785,000 project, if approved prior to the Vehicle Registration fee (the "wheel tax") would have cost homeowners \$342,000 (about 43%); however, with the registration fee in place helping to fund the project, the fee of the total assessments was only \$38,500, or about 5% of the total cost.

The Council members and other Department of Public Works officials will gather for **the ribbon cutting on the corner of N. 51st St. and W. Keefe Ave.** to celebrate the collaboration of innovative legislation.

"In one project, we're able to see recent legislation in action: the dollars raised from our newly implemented wheel tax helped fund the work and the project met with the residency requirements of the MORE ordinance. This is a huge success for the city," Ald. Wade said.

WHAT: Re-Opening of 51st St.
WHEN: TODAY, September 21st, 11:30 a.m.
WHERE: Corner of N. 51st St. and W. Keefe Ave.

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