Tippecanoe Library will offer Saturday hours for the first time in years

For the first time since the economic downturn forced Milwaukee to make dramatic cuts to city services, the Tippecanoe Library at 3912 S. Howell Ave. will be able to offer weekend hours of operation, Alderman Terry L. Witkowski said.

Starting tomorrow, Saturday, June 11, the Tippecanoe Library will be open for business from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays year-round, except for designated holiday closures.

“Libraries are the nerve centers of our neighborhoods,” Alderman Witkowski said. “Students use them as a place to catch up on homework, families use them as a source of vital information and the jobless use them as a place to look for work. It only makes sense to provide access to these important services on the weekend, and I’m pleased that we have been able to restore these hours at Tippecanoe Library.”

In addition to Tippecanoe Library, the Atkinson, Capitol, Forest Home, Martin Luther King and Mill Road Library branches will be offering expanded hours on Fridays or Saturdays this year. The changes are the result of a Common Council amendment to the 2016 city budget.

Alderman Witkowski said the expanded hours are an excellent complement to the renovations that were completed at the Tippecanoe Library last fall. Additional open space and added meeting rooms make it more user-friendly, and its outdoor amenities mesh with the themes of the South Side’s Garden District and Green Corridor.