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February 1, 2017

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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **Month-long City of Milwaukee Black History celebration to kick off**

A first-of-its-kind public campaign to share information and to engage citizens in celebration of **Black History Month** will kick off **TODAY (Wednesday, February 1)** during a news conference at City Hall. The news conference will begin at **3 p.m.** and will be held in the first floor rotunda at City Hall, 200 E. Wells St.

The news conference will be hosted by **Alderman Chantia Lewis** and **Alderman Milele A. Coggs**. Also expected to attend the news conference will be **Common Council President Ashanti Hamilton, Alderman Russell W. Stamper, II, Alderman Cavalier Johnson, and Alderman Khalif J. Rainey**.

“Every day heroes have been a part of our rich history as teachers, lawyers, business leaders, civic leaders and Civil Rights activists. These makers of Black History have called Milwaukee their home, and we try to follow in their footsteps,” Alderman Lewis said.

“We think this year’s Black History Month is an excellent opportunity for our community to honor their accomplishments, and be inspired to make history of their own,” Alderman Coggs said.

**What:** Black History celebration kickoff news conference

**When:** Wednesday, February 1 at 3 p.m.

**Where:** First floor rotunda at City Hall