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## **City of Milwaukee to celebrate 28 Days of Black History throughout February**

In honor of **Black History Month**, the City of Milwaukee website and the City Channel (Milwaukee's government access cable channel) is again recognizing influential figures in Milwaukee's Black history with the **28 Days of Black History** campaign.

The 28 Days of Black History information campaign shares the compelling stories of Milwaukee's own heroes, shining a spotlight on notable individuals and their role in Black history. The campaign trumpets the individual stories for the entire community to see, thus honoring those who have not only worked for the betterment of the Black community, but whose impact has also been felt throughout the greater Milwaukee community.

The campaign, now in its third year, will center on a theme of "Moving in Time...In Rhythm. Together." Each day in February, the City Channel will feature a local individual who has made a positive impact on Milwaukee's Black history. The profiles, photos, and stories of these individuals will also be featured on the official city website ([city.milwaukee.gov](http://city.milwaukee.gov)).

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## **Black History/ADD ONE**

**Common Council President Ashanti Hamilton** shared his thoughts on the importance and depth of Black History Month: “Black History is not just a section in a textbook about the Civil Rights movement, it is a tapestry of the countless brave and honorable people that have fought for justice in an unjust world. This month offers us the platform upon which we can proclaim and honor the sacrifices that our ancestors, neighbors and leaders have made and will continue to make to heal the scars of our nation’s collective history.”

In recognition of the 28 Days of Black History and Black History Month, the City of Milwaukee **will host a public celebration on Monday, February 25, 2019 at 12 p.m.** in the first floor rotunda at City Hall, 200 E. Wells St.

Working with President Hamilton and Alderwoman Coggs to coordinate the 28 Days of Black History campaign are colleagues **Alderman Cavalier Johnson, Alderman Russell W. Stamper, II, Alderwoman Chantia Lewis, Alderman Khalif J. Rainey and Alderwoman Nikiya Dodd.**

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