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MEDIA ADVISORY

Vandals To Begin Community Service Wednesday As Part of “Operation Payback”

Ald. Bob Donovan and the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) will co-host a news conference at **10:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 16, 2008** to discuss the 10 “WR Crew” members sentenced to community service and clean-up. Ald. Donovan and police spokespersons will meet at **3116 W. Mitchell St.** to discuss the charges and penalties brought against the WR Crew. The group, who bragged about the more than \$50,000 in graffiti and vandalism they instigated, was apprehended early this year. The group posted photos on MySpace boasting of the vandalism they committed on the homes and businesses on the near south side.

“I invite the press and the public to come and watch as these WR Crew members begin to clean up the very area they desecrated with graffiti,” Ald. Donovan said. The event, dubbed “**Operation Payback**,” begins the community service sentences of the nine men and one woman, aged 17-26. The original complaint included 35 counts against the group; three of the counts were felonies.

WHAT: “Operation Payback” News Conference
WHEN: 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 16, 2008
WHERE: 3116 W. Mitchell St.