

**Statement of Ald. Mike McGee, Jr.**  
**May 4, 2007**

The unsafe and unsanitary conditions that led to the closing last week of Milwaukee Immediate Care Center, 1971 W. Capitol Dr., are having ripple effects that the community should be aware of.

Courageous workers at the clinic were the ones who alerted me to the health hazards in the building, including flooding problems caused by leaks in the roof, expired medications, exposed rat bait, asbestos floors, and biohazard bags being improperly discarded in the basement. I commend these ladies for coming forward to protect clinic patients, young and old, and to seek improved working conditions for themselves. They risked their jobs in coming forward.

I've been working with the clinic's owner, Mr. Margoles, to do all I can to make sure the problems are addressed so that he can reopen. Unfortunately, the business and financial side of things are in disarray, and it's not looking very likely that the clinic will reopen anytime soon. In the meantime, the patients don't have a clinic to go to, and without a clear ability on the part of the owner to make payroll, the displaced workers are wondering how they're going to pay their bills.

I am appealing to the community at this time for any job opportunities that might be available for the workers. These are honest, hard-working ladies who have many skills that would be an asset to many businesses. Please -- anyone with possible job leads should call my office at 286-2994.

Thank you.

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