



October 6, 2008

Ald. Joe Davis, Sr.
(414) 286-3787

Ald. Joe Davis Invited To Attend HUD Summit On Housing

Milwaukee Common Council member Joe Davis, Sr. will represent Milwaukee and the National League of Cities during the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) *Summit on Housing: Partnering for Responsible Policy*. Carolyn Coleman, director of federal relations for the organization, is pleased Davis can attend as part of the leadership of the National League of Cities (NLC). “As Milwaukee manages the recent federal dollars we’ve received to help rectify the problems of the foreclosure crisis in our neighborhoods, it is essential that groups like the National League of Cities are in dialogue with the federal government’s plans and that Milwaukee is represented in this dialogue,” said Ald. Davis, chair of the NLC’s Community and Economic Development Policy and Advocacy Committee.

The summit, hosted in Washington, D.C. October 7-8, 2008, will bring together representatives from government agencies at the federal, state and local level, non-profit organizations, foundations and the banking and housing industries to share and learn best practices for addressing both urgent and long term housing issues.

“I am honored to have been invited to the summit, but am also eager to learn of the partnerships other cities and states are creating to provide affordable, safe housing and how those partnerships might benefit Milwaukee,” Ald. Davis said. “All these groups are here to discuss the Housing and Economic Recovery Act—sharing ideas and networking with these agencies will yield nothing but proactive results.” Milwaukee has been granted nearly nine million dollars as part of the Recovery Act and the mayor and Common Council have formed a six-person committee to manage the use of the funds.