

**Memorandum of Understanding**  
**Between**  
**Inner City Redevelopment Corporation**  
**And**  
**Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity**

**I. PURPOSE** This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to provide guidance, define responsibilities, and establish procedures regarding planning and construction opportunities during construction process of ten (10) vacant lots provided by "Inner City Redevelopment Corporation" (ICRC); and. Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity desires to build homes in 2008 on the following lots located in the Harambee neighborhood:

**II. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This MOU becomes effective upon signature by the respective parties.

**III. PROVISIONS.** Inner City Redevelopment Corporation agrees to release ten (10) lots to Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity. Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity agrees to work with ICRC, Harambee Ombudsman Project and the Harambee Great Neighborhood Steering Committee to create the greatest benefit possible for residents of the Harambee neighborhood by:

- A. Recognizing the HGNSC partners and inviting each of them to house raising, groundbreakings, and other associated events.
- B. Working with J. Allen Stokes of Inner City Redevelopment Corporation, Nannette Green Smith of Harambee Ombudsman Project Inc., and the Economic Development Work Group of the HGNSC to identify areas of training opportunities for young adults in the Harambee community and business opportunities for minority contractors in the construction of these homes.**
- C. Maintaining their independent selection process according to their published selection process ([www.milwaukeehabitat.org/homeowner.html](http://www.milwaukeehabitat.org/homeowner.html)). MHFH will conduct at least three outreach events in the Harambee neighborhood in order to solicit as many applications as possible from current residents for 2008-built homes (and 2008 sweat equity for community service). In addition, MHFH will email the HGNSC partners, prior to starting the selection process, asking for help in identifying applicants from the Harambee neighborhood at the commencement of the 2009 selection process in January 2008.

**IV. Signing:** The signing of this MOU is not a binding contract but is instead a statement of parties/ mutual intent and desire to proceed in good faith for this undertaking. It implies that the signatories will strive to reach, to the best of their ability, the objectives stated in the MOU. On behalf of the organization I represent, I wish to sign this MOU, as indicated below, and contribute to its implementation.

## **J. Allen, Sherman & Welford:**

**Please review and let me know what you would add or take away ASAP**

### **HABITAT MOU CONDITIONS**

- **All parties must have clear understanding of Habitats ownership selection processes**
- **Best efforts must be demonstrated through outreach processes, list of potential clients contacted, results of the contact.**
- **hold meetings prior to issuing or selection of general contractor to identify emerging business opportunities**
- **Hold pre-bid conference with emerging business to discuss bid package and requirements.**
- **Participate in opening of bids and awards**
- **Identify areas of training opportunities for young adults in the Harambee community.**
- **Monitor emerging business opportunities and young adult training pre and post construction.**