FOR INFORMATION CALL

March 23, 2009

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MEDIA ADVISORY

Carora to Confirm Sister City Status

A formal **City Hall ceremony tomorrow morning** (**March 24, 2009**) will include the signing of Common Council-approved documents executing the City of Milwaukee's "sister city" relationship with **Carora, Venezuela.**

A delegation of Venezuelan visitors headed by Mayor Edgardo Carrasco of Carora, Venezuela will attend the special ceremony TOMORROW (March 24, 2009) at 9:00 a.m. in the third floor Council Chamber of City Hall, 200 E. Wells St.

Mayor Tom Barrett will take part in the signing ceremony, which will include a welcome by **Common Council President Willie L. Hines, Jr.**

Ald. Joe Davis, Sr., chair of the Sister Cities Committee and the Council's Community and Economic Development Committee, will host the event, which includes a reception in the Chamber Anteroom beginning at 8:15 a.m. before the signing ceremony. The ceremony is being held in cooperation with Peace Action Wisconsin.

Founded in 1572, **Carora** enjoyed considerable prosperity in colonial times, when its population numbered about 10,000. Carora exports coffee and rubber, and it is home to a large dairy industry. Currently a city of 83,000, Carora is in the state of Lara in the northwestern part of Venezuela.

WHAT: Carora Sister City Signing Ceremony

WHEN: TOMORROW, Tuesday, March 24 at 9:00 a.m.

WHERE: Council Chamber, 3rd Floor, City Hall

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