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MILWAUKEE COUNTY AUDITOR RECEIVES 2009 KNIGHTON AWARD

Department of Audit recognized for audit of deferred parks maintenance

Milwaukee, WI – Milwaukee County Board Chairman Lee Holloway is congratulating the Director of Milwaukee County’s Department of Audit for winning the Bronze Award from the Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA), which represents more than 300 local audit organizations nationwide.

Jerome J. Heer, Director of the Milwaukee County Department of Audit, and his staff were recognized for their “A Tale of Two Systems” audit of deferred maintenance within the Milwaukee County Parks. Mr. Heer, who has served as Audit Director since 1995, has nearly 30 years of experience conducting performance audits and is a nationally recognized leader in government accountability issues.

“Jerry Heer is a valuable member of the team here at the County Board and this recognition is well-deserved,” said Board Chairman Lee Holloway. “He does a great job providing information and advice to all County Supervisors on a wide variety of issues facing Milwaukee County. In this case, his Parks audit gave the Board a clear look into the deferred maintenance needs within our Parks. It really was eye opening for a number of Supervisors.”

Mr. Heer has contributed leadership and expertise to help address complex, and sometimes sensitive, policy issues in Milwaukee County. He has also played a key role in a number of professional organizations, serving as past Chairman of the Midwestern Intergovernmental Audit Forum and is a founding member and former President of the Association of Local Government Auditors. The Department of Audit reports directly to the County Board of Supervisors.

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