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**County Executive Chris Abele Announces
He Will Retain Sue Black as Parks Director**

MILWAUKEE – Milwaukee County Executive Chris Abele today announced that he will retain Sue Black as director of the Milwaukee County Parks Department.

“Sue Black is one of the many fine employees already at home in Milwaukee County. She has demonstrated an ability time and again to creatively do more with less, helping the Parks System to win a national gold medal for excellent management,” said Abele. “I hope the board will consider her appointment favorably. I look forward to working with Sue Black in finding ways to create more public/private partnerships that can strengthen the Parks System.”

“I’ve never been more passionate about our Parks System and can’t tell you how excited I am about the future of our Parks under our new administration,” said Black. “It’s time to get to work.”

Black has been Parks Director since 2003. Prior to serving in Milwaukee County, she served in the Department of Natural Resources as Director of Wisconsin State Parks & Recreation. She also served as the Chief of Operations for the Arizona State Parks system.

Following his election, Chris Abele announced the members of his transition team, which is helping to make recommendations on cabinet appointments.

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