DATE: May 2, 2012

TO: The Honorable Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chris Abele, Milwaukee County Executive

**SUBJECT:** Appointment of Sue Black

Pursuant to Sec. 59.17(2) Wis. Stats and subject to confirmation of your Honorable Body, I am pleased to appoint Ms. Sue Black to the position of Director of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture for Milwaukee County.

Ms. Black has been the steadfast promoter of the Milwaukee County Parks for the last eight years. Prior to serving in Milwaukee County, she was the Director of Wisconsin State Parks & Recreation at the Department of Natural Resources. Additionally, she served as the Chief of Operations for the Arizona State Parks system and directors for Parks and Recreation in the City of Portage and the City of Green Lake.

Ms. Black has been innovative in partnerships with private, non-profit and governmental agencies to the benefit of Milwaukee County Parks and residents. She pushes our community to prioritize Parks and the benefits they bring economically, environmentally and culturally.

I have every confidence that Ms. Black will meet every challenge we will have to maintain a clean and progressive parks system for all residents to enjoy. I urge your favorable consideration of her appointment.

Chris Abele

Milwaukee County Executive

## Attachment

cc: Supervisor Gerry Broderick, Chair, Parks, Energy and Environment Committee

Kelly Bablitch, Chief of Staff, Board of Supervisors

Jessica Janz-McKnight, Research Analyst

Janelle Jensen, Committee Clerk

Sue Black