UNITED STATE BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

In re:

City of Detroit, Michigan

On **Thursday, July 18, 2013** the City of Detroit filed a petition seeking bankruptcy protection and the adjustment of debts under chapter 9 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. The petition was filed in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division, and was assigned case number **13-53846**.

The Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit will designate the bankruptcy judge to conduct the chapter 9 case pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §921(b). Upon receipt of the order of designation, the judge will be assigned to the City of Detroit bankruptcy case and the name of the assigned judge will be posted on the court's web site.

Copies of the City of Detroit bankruptcy petition, as well as other documents filed in the case, can be obtained through the Public Access to Court Electronic Records (PACER) system. PACER is the federal judiciary's electronic public access service that allows users to obtain case and docket information from the bankruptcy court via the Internet. Anyone seeking access to PACER must register with the PACER service Center at: <u>http://www.pacer.psc.uscourts.gov</u>. A fee of 10 cents per page is charged for electronic access to court data via PACER. **You will not be able to obtain documents by calling the Bankruptcy Court directly.**

Information about the Bankruptcy Court is available on the Bankruptcy Court's web site. **Staff** of the Bankruptcy Court is prohibited from giving information that may be characterized as legal advice. This means that court staff will not provide information relating to the application of laws and rules to individual claims or defenses, whether a complaint properly presents a claim, what the "best" procedures are to accomplish a particular objective, or the interpretation of case law.

Likewise, court staff will not offer any opinion as to the probable disposition of any matter by the court. The information provided by staff is limited to explaining court procedures.

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A web site dedicated to the City of Detroit filing will be available shortly with links to various documents along with pertinent information regarding the case. Scheduled hearings of the court will be posted to this web site. Click <u>here</u> to view the voluntary petition.