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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: For Further Info: July 2, 2012 Fire Chief Bradley J. Liggett City of Beloit Fire Department (608) 364-2900

(Beloit) – Chief Bradley Liggett and the City of Beloit want to assure citizens that at this time there <u>will</u> be a <u>4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks Show</u> in Beloit on the evening of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. The fireworks will be launched from their usual location and will be visible to citizens of the community just as it is every 4<sup>th</sup> of July. At this time the only reason to cancel the show would be a severe storm, which is not in the forecast for Beloit. City of Beloit fire personnel have been working in conjunction with the fireworks vendor to provide a safe atmosphere with which to launch the fireworks show. Citizens attending the fireworks event should be mindful of the heat and dry conditions in the City of Beloit. Be sure you are hydrating yourself and your children in the extreme heat conditions we have been experiencing. Use extra caution in the use of smoking materials in and around grassy areas, extinguish them in water as an extra safety precaution to protect you and those around you.

The grass and prairies in the stateline area remain extremely dry and at a high risk of flammability. Citizens are urged to use extra caution with all flammable materials and be mindful of the extreme dry conditions we are experiencing.

Chief Liggett suggests that instead of using fireworks at your home to gather your family members and enjoy attending the City of Beloit Fireworks Show.

The City of Beloit Fire Department wishes everyone in Beloit and the Stateline Community a Fire Safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration!