

MEDIA ADVISORY

For Immediate Release June 29, 2011

Contact:

Catherine Murrell, Stand Up! Chicago 312.576.1822 / catherine@standupchicago.org

"New" Jobs or Snow Job?

Working Chicagoans to Gather at Elite Luncheon with a Question for Motorola Solutions CEO Greg Brown

CHICAGO, IL – Shortly before noon on June 30, middle- and low-income Chicagoans will gather outside the elite Chicago Club to await the arrival of Motorola Solutions CEO Greg Brown and other members of the powerful Civic Committee of The Commercial Club of Chicago.

While Brown and his fellow millionaires—including special guest Indiana Governor Mitch Daniels—will be there for a posh luncheon inside the Club, the crowd outside will be seeking not food but the truth behind Motorola Solutions' recent high-profile claim to be bringing 400 new jobs to Chicago.

WHAT: A truth-seeking delegation gathering to demand a straight answer from Motorola Solutions CEO Greg Brown to a simple question: Will the 400 "New" Jobs Announced by Motorola Solutions Last Week Really Be New Jobs? The delegation will include the three 12-foot-tall corporate welfare king puppets that led thousands of Chicagoans in the June 14 "Give it Back" March and Rally, and will display banners and signs, as well as oversized copies of media accounts documenting that some of the "new" jobs will actually be relocations.

WHO: Working, unemployed, and underemployed Chicagoans who are concerned about the lack of job creation in the city despite the growing profit margins of rich corporations such as Motorola Solutions, and who as a group make only a fraction of Greg Brown's \$3.7 million annual salary.

WHEN: From 11:30 a.m., when the millionaire members of the Civic Committee of The Commercial Club will begin arriving at the Chicago Club for the luncheon, to 12:15 p.m.

WHERE: Outside the exclusive Chicago Club located at 81 East Van Buren, on the northwest corner of the intersection of Michigan Ave. and Van Buren.

WHY: To find out whether the highly publicized Motorola Solutions announcement of 400 "new" jobs on June 14—the same day thousands of working Chicagoans converged in the Loop for the "Give It Back!" March and Rally to demand that corporate welfare recipients invest in meaningful job creation—was about real jobs or was just a snow job on working Chicago families. According to news accounts, the Mayor's official press release concerning the new jobs, and Motorola Solutions Vice President of Global Communications Nicholas Sweers, an asyet-undetermined number of these "new" jobs will actually be relocations of existing staff from outside Chicago to inside Chicago.