

## Media Alert for Friday, July 30 – 1:00 pm

### MAYOR ADRIAN FENTY, OFFICIALS AND ATP WORLD TOUR PLAYERS PARTICIPATE IN OFFICIAL DRAW FOR 2010 LEGG MASON TENNIS CLASSIC, AT ROCK CREEK TENNIS CENTER

#### *WTEF Children to Participate in Event at 16<sup>th</sup> & Kennedy Streets, NW*

**WHO:** Mayor Adrian Fenty, ATP World Tour players scheduled to play in the Legg Mason Tennis Classic, children participating in Washington Tennis & Education Foundation (WTEF) programs, ATP World Tour officials, Legg Mason Tennis Classic officials and more.

**WHAT:** The Official Draw for the 42<sup>nd</sup> edition of the Legg Mason Tennis Classic presented by GEICO – an ATP World Tour 500 and Olympus US Open Series event. Mayor Fenty will present a “Tennis Week” proclamation; guests will draw players’ names to complete the Main Draw Singles bracket for the tournament, which kicks off on Saturday, July 31 and runs through Sunday, August 8.

This year’s Legg Mason Tennis Classic features three Top 10 players ([www.leggmasontennisclassic.com](http://www.leggmasontennisclassic.com)), including Wimbledon finalist Tomas Berdych (No. 8 on the South African Airways ATP Singles Rankings); three-time Legg Mason Tennis Classic champion (2001, 2005 and 2007) World No. 9 **Andy Roddick** (USA), **Fernando Verdasco** (No. 10); **Marin Cilic** (No. 13); marathon man **John Isner** (No. 18), and **Sam Querrey** (No. 19). Former champion **James Blake** (2002) will compete as a Wild Card recipient in the tournament, marking his first return since 2006.

**WHEN:** Friday, July 30, 2010 – promptly at 1:00 pm (guests arrive 12:30PM – food and beverage will be offered)

**WHERE:** William H.G. FitzGerald Tennis Center at 16<sup>th</sup> & Kennedy Streets, NW  
**The event will be held in the Corporate Hospitality tent on-site.**  
(Enter via Colorado Avenue parking lot)

**The WTEF:** A portion of the proceeds from the Legg Mason Tennis Classic benefits the Washington Tennis & Education Foundation (WTEF), Winner of the 2008 *Washington Post* Award for Excellence in Nonprofit Management. WTEF seeks to improve the life prospects for D.C. area youth, particularly those from lower-income communities, through tennis, education and community-based activities that teach discipline, build self-esteem and improve academic performance.

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