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## Oh, happy day! All that work along Madison, East is done

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Members of a Southside community on Saturday celebrated what they believe could be the return of the glory days of the "Miracle Mile."

Mayor Bart Peterson joined members of the Gateway Business Alliance, a community economic development organization, in a ceremonial ribbon-cutting to announce the completion of \$8 million and two years of infrastructure improvements along Madison Avenue and East Street.

The improvements, stretching from the intersection of East and Lawrence streets to Madison and Southern avenues in an area known in the late 1950s as the Miracle Mile, included new pavement, additional traffic lanes, new storm sewers, repaired sidewalks, accessible curb ramps and upgraded traffic signals.

"It really marks the beginning of an extraordinary revitalization of a very important part of our city," Peterson said.