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## **Needless tragedy offers a lesson**

**Statement from Alderman Robert W. Puente**  
**February 24, 2016**

I extend my sincere condolences to the family members of the brother and sister who died Monday night in a crash in the 7000 block of N. 91<sup>st</sup> St. in the 9<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District. My thoughts and prayers are with the family during this very difficult time.

According to Milwaukee police, the crash occurred when the brother (driver) – a 22-year-old man – lost control of his vehicle during a street drag race. The vehicle left the road and hit a tree, and first responders' efforts to save the man and his 17-year-old sister at the crash site were extensive, but unsuccessful.

I urge the public to report street racing to police immediately, and I remind anyone thinking of partaking in this ridiculously reckless and dangerous illegal activity to remember Monday's crash – and the toll that it is taking on an entire family – before stepping on the accelerator.

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