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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **At vigil for drowned infant, community to stand against domestic violence**

At the site where a Milwaukee father is accused of having drowned his three-month-old son during a tragic domestic violence incident over the weekend, community members will gather tomorrow to mourn the loss of innocent life and stand together against domestic violence and its perpetrators.

Police said that 25-year-old Sean A. Flowers, Jr. had a fight with the child's mother on Saturday night, waded out into a pond and held the infant underwater. First responders were unable to revive Sean A. Flowers, III, and the child's father was arrested.

**Alderman Chantia Lewis** said she hopes members of the community turn out en masse in a show of support for the victims, and to help empower other victims of domestic abuse. "Women facing domestic abusers often feel like they don't have any options but to bear the abuse," Alderman Lewis said, "They need to know that there is a community that supports them so they can get out before the abuse escalates."

Martha Love and Dana World-Patterson from the Milwaukee Commission on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, Wanda Montgomery from the Black Child Development Institute and County Supervisor Sequanna Taylor will join Alderman Lewis and other neighbors at the vigil. **The event will feature a press conference for media.**

**What: Vigil in memory of Sean A. Flowers, III**

**When: Wednesday, August 3 at 12:30 p.m.**

**Where: 7451 W. Glenbrook Rd.**