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Public Health Alert Involving K2

Alderman Khalif J. Rainey is alerting residents about the dangers of K2 -- a synthetic cannabinoid that can cause severe bleeding, unexplained bruising and possibly death.

Synthetic cannabinoid (marijuana) products contain a number of different ingredients, and some forms that have been circulating in Milwaukee contain rat poison. Alderman Rainey said everyone in the community should stay away from these products because they are incredibly unpredictable and not safe.

“K2 is illegal and extremely dangerous,” said Alderman Rainey. “I encourage parents to speak to their children about the dangers of K2 as well as residents to be aware of the extreme health complications it can cause.”

As of Monday, June 25 there were 27 severe bleeding cases, confirmed or probable, in Milwaukee; this is an alarming rise in cases from six days ago when there were 10 total cases. If you or someone you know is experiencing any symptoms associated with those of K2 please call 911 or immediately go to an emergency room.

For more information on K2, visit the Milwaukee Health Department at **Milwaukee.gov/synthetic-weed**.

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