

Statement of Ald. Joe Davis, Sr.

July 5, 2007

At about nine o'clock last night I made a call to Milwaukee Police concerning the out of control use of illegal fireworks in my neighborhood. District Seven police officers Jovan Petkovich and Joe Baltutis arrived at my home nearly 20 minutes after my initial call, and no more than 30 minutes after our first meeting, the officers returned to my home to show me the illegal fireworks they'd confiscated in an effort to ensure the safety of me, my family and my neighborhood. The diligence shown by these MPD officers in the face of such petty yet dangerous criminal activity proves their commitment to protecting the citizens of the City of Milwaukee.

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District Seven Milwaukee Police officers Jovan Petkovich (left) and Joe Baltutis display a trunk full of illegal fireworks they confiscated on the city's northwest side during only a few minutes of patrol time last evening (July 4, 2007) after receiving a phone call from Ald. Joe Davis, Sr. According to the MPD, between 11:59 p.m. July 3 and 8 a.m. today (July 5), the department received 614 calls concerning the use of illegal fireworks.