Arrests of Robbery Suspects Eases Fears

Statement of Alderman Bob Donovan
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The announcement that Milwaukee police have arrested the suspects believed to be responsible for recent armed tavern robberies on the south side is GREAT news. The arrests mean that some very dangerous perpetrators are off the streets, and our tavern owners can now breathe a little easier.

The detectives and uniformed officers who helped crack the case deserve our sincere thanks. As a city, we are blessed to have dedicated, talented, and hard-working police officers who help solve difficult cases, and who put their lives on the line for us every day.

It is my understanding that an Operation Impact surveillance camera mounted at one of the robbery locations also helped officers identify one or more of the suspects. Operation Impact, which I founded a few years ago as a means of increasing public safety on the near south side by leveraging private resources to increase beat patrols and install surveillance cameras, is and has been making a difference in reducing crime and by helping to solve crimes.

I urge Milwaukee business owners to contact me directly if they are interested in possibly getting surveillance cameras for their business or their street. My direct office line is 286-3778.

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