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Graffiti “Art” Has Alderman Irate

*News Conference at 11 a.m. TODAY*

Alderman Bob Donovan says a huge new graffiti mural on the near south side created by an alternative school is a highly inappropriate use of educational resources and an insult to the city’s efforts to eradicate graffiti vandalism. The alderman will hold a news conference at 11 a.m. today at S. 2nd and E. Mineral Streets.

The alderman said he’s been told the mural was created by students of TRUE Skool, Inc.

“I’m calling for an investigation of TRUE Skool, to see why precious grants and resources are being used to ‘educate’ young people on how to create graffiti,” Alderman Donovan said. “In my opinion this outfit is nothing more than a front for propagating and endorsing graffiti.”

Alderman Donovan, chair of the Common Council’s Public Safety Committee and a longtime member of the city’s Anti-Graffiti Policy Committee, will be joined at today’s news conference by Capt. Donald Gaglione of MPD’s District Two.

**WHAT:** News conference

**WHEN:** 11:00 a.m. Today, July 19

**WHERE:** S. 2nd and E. Mineral

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