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Dangerous Speeds on North 64th & North 68th Streets Prompt Action by Alderman

Alderman Davis news conference Thursday will include AAA official, Milwaukee police and neighborhood representatives

Motorists soon will have a hard time missing the message Alderman Joe Davis, Sr., AAA, neighborhood residents, and the Milwaukee Police Department want to deliver along N. 64th and N. 68th Streets between W. Villard and W. Hampton Avenues.

Alderman Davis has secured 150 “Slow Down Watch For Kids” yard signs from AAA Wisconsin, and he will discuss a speed reduction effort along N. 64th and N. 68th during a news conference at 11 a.m. on Thursday, June 30, 2011 outside Lancaster School, 4931 N. 68th St.

Alderman Davis will be joined during the news conference by neighborhood residents, Milwaukee police, and Pam Moen, assistant vice president of public affairs for AAA.

Alderman Davis said motorists have been reaching dangerous speeds too regularly along N. 64th and N. 68th Streets between Villard and Hampton, and he believes a concerted speed reduction effort can help make a difference in protecting vulnerable neighborhood children. “With school out for the summer, children are out on their bikes, on scooters, and on foot, enjoying summertime activities,” he said. “We need drivers to slow down and take it easy, so we keep everyone safe and avoid a possible tragedy.”

AAA was “immediately interested and generous” in donating the yard signs, Alderman Davis said.

“AAA is pleased to provide our “Slow Down Watch For Kids” yard signs to provide drivers with a reminder to slow down and use extra caution in high-risk areas for children,” said Ms. Moen of AAA.

“Young children have not developed the skills needed to make appropriate judgments about vehicle traffic and driver intention, so it is up to us as motorists to exercise good judgment and help keep kids safe,” Ms. Moen said.

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