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Ald. José G. Pérez  
(414) 286-3762

## Information and assistance is available to help citizens deal with dangerous heat

Alderman José G. Pérez said family members, neighbors and friends are front line help when it comes to protecting infants and young children, elderly, and ill and vulnerable individuals during dangerously hot weather. However, he said individuals should know that they can reach out to his office for information and help if they have no one else to turn to.

“Sadly, a 64 year-old woman passed away possibly because of the heat on Saturday in the 2100 block of S. 15<sup>th</sup> Pl. in the 12<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District,” Alderman Pérez said. “She had a window air conditioner but could not put it in by herself.”

Milwaukee police have reported several suspected heat-related deaths in the city during the most recent wave of hot temperatures.

There are free cooling centers where residents can go to stay cool during hot weather, and other help is available to those in need, Alderman Pérez said.

“I urge residents to call my office if they have questions about assistance with the heat,” he said. The alderman’s office number is **414-286-3762**.

For a more complete listing of hot weather help information, go to <http://city.milwaukee.gov/HotWeatherSafety> -- the Milwaukee Health Department’s hot weather safety page.