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Emergency personnel will soon be visible for miles

Donation of wearable emergency lighting to be announced Wednesday

Alderman Bob Donovan will announce the donation of bright, body-mounted emergency lighting that can be used by Milwaukee police officers, firefighters and emergency medical technicians. **The announcement will take place at 2 p.m. Wednesday, February 5 at the Milwaukee Police Department District Two Station, 245 W. Lincoln Ave. District Two Capt. Alfonso Morales and others are also expected to participate.**

Media coverage is invited.

Alderman Donovan said the **Operation Impact** donation of the **Guardian Angel** devices will immediately boost the safety of officers, firefighters and EMTs in nighttime and low-visibility conditions. "During a recent foot chase at night in Marquette County, a DUI suspect jumped out of a car and fled into a cornfield and then abruptly turned around and stopped in his tracks and surrendered to the pursuing officer," Alderman Donovan said.

"When the cop asked why he stopped, the suspect replied, 'I thought you were driving your squad car toward me.' In reality, the officer was on foot wearing Guardian Angel lighting, and that tells me all you need to know about how bright and powerful the device can be," the alderman said.

Produced in Mount Pleasant by 425 Inc., the Guardian Angel is a wearable (5.2 oz.) lighted device, designed to provide the same immediate visibility and recognition for the wearer as they have in their official vehicles.

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Alderman Donovan said the company has indicated that police departments whose officers have tested the Guardian Angel have reported not only enhanced safety for their personnel, but also “better interactions with civilians who can immediately determine who the officers or emergency personnel are in a crowd.”

Utilizing LED technology, the Guardian Angel device provides visibility from more than two miles away, from above, and from a nearly 360-degree radius around the wearer.

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