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A citywide effort is needed to quell Milwaukee's senseless violence

**Statement of Common Council President Ashanti Hamilton
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I am deeply sorry to the family and friends of Greg “Ziggy” Zyszkiewicz for the loss of such a great man and community member. While there’s nothing that will take away the pain of your loss, I hope that the city’s commitment to seek justice for this senseless murder is some comfort.

I would like to thank the Milwaukee Police Department, Chief Edward Flynn and the officers and detectives who have worked tirelessly on this case. MPD mounted a decisive, exhaustive effort to address it, and their professionalism and dedication were evident throughout.

Maintaining the safety of our community members and our families is a top priority in this city. When these sorts of outrageous and terrible crimes occur, they make you pause a moment and contemplate the question, “Is this who we are as a community?”

The answer is a resounding no. No, this is not who we are. No, we will not allow violent criminals to force us to live in fear. No, we will not tolerate predation on innocent citizens.

I would call on the community to stand up to the kind of criminal, violent behavior that puts us all at risk. We must be vigilant against these crimes, we must weed it out of our neighborhoods and we *absolutely* must ensure that these criminals face the justice they deserve.

Please, if you have information that you think might help bring Ziggy Zyszkiewicz’s killers to justice, reach out to the Milwaukee Police Department. It’s your duty as a citizen of Milwaukee.