
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



FOR INFORMATION CALL

October 2, 2018

Ald. Bob Donovan
(414) 531-2096

Ald. José G. Pérez
(414) 286-2861

Ald. Donovan, Ald. Pérez and MPD to announce extensive near south side beat cop initiative

A highly visible and intensive Milwaukee Police beat patrol initiative that will serve the near south side will be announced during a news conference on **Thursday, October 4**.

Alderman Bob Donovan, Alderman José G. Pérez, and Milwaukee Police District 2 Captain Alex Ramirez will hold the news conference at **2 p.m. on Thursday at S. 21st St. and W. National Ave.** Joining them will be MPD foot and bicycle officers, as well as area residents and business owners.

Alderman Donovan, chair of the Public Safety and Health Committee, said the initiative is set to launch on Sunday, October 7.

“Every meeting I’ve attended regarding public safety during the past 18 years has included the topic of beat patrol officers and how effective they are in maintaining order in our neighborhoods,” Alderman Donovan said. “This initiative is something I’ve been clamoring for for many years, and I am quite pleased that it will be moving forward in just a few days.”

Alderman Pérez said the initiative will touch as many as 17 near south side neighborhoods that have been identified across MPD District 2.

“A huge benefit I’m seeing in this initiative is that it will help to improve police-community relations – something much needed at this time – as officers will be walking and biking neighborhood beats and talking directly with residents and business owners,” he said.

As part of the initiative it is also hoped that officers can attend church and school events to meet church members, parents, and students, Alderman Donovan said.

-30-