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## Milwaukee loses a strong community advocate to senseless shooting

### **Joint statement from Alderman José G. Pérez, Alderman Nik Kovac and Alderwoman JoCasta Zamarripa**

Last night near the intersection of Brady and Van Buren on the city's east side, Jason Cleereman - a dedicated husband, father, and advocate for Milwaukee - was the victim of a senseless shooting. We can only imagine what his family is going through in this difficult time, and we send them our best as they grieve.

Anyone who met Jason instantly knew how much he cared about his family, friends and the community. His law firm worked to support families through the immigration process, and he was never afraid to speak up on their behalf.

This loss will be felt particularly hard on the near Southside where Jason was an active resident always working to better the area for others. He was an organizer of the Walker Square Farmers Market, as well as a board member for the Southside Organizing Center, and leader within the Walker Square Neighborhood Association. He worked tirelessly in service of others, left a positive impact on those around him, and will surely be missed.

A suspect is not yet in custody and we are asking anyone with information to contact Milwaukee Police at 414-935-7360 or Crime Stoppers at 414-224-TIPS or P3 Tips App.