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## **Mass shooting targets LGBTQ+ nightclub in Colorado**

### **Statement from Alderwoman JoCasta Zamarripa**

I was devastated to learn about last night's mass shooting inside an LGBTQ+ nightclub in Colorado Springs. Club Q was a safe haven for LGBTQ+ Coloradans, and it was horrifying to see that someone would be capable of unleashing senseless and deadly gun violence in a place that was known to be a safe haven, much like Milwaukee's own queer bars are safe places for our LGBTQ+ community.

For this to have happened on the eve of Transgender Day of Remembrance is especially mortifying for me as an LGBTQ+ American. Just as the Pulse nightclub mass shooting in Orlando happened at the height of Pride month, I am appalled and heartbroken that my community was targeted on such a symbolically important day for us.

I pray for comfort, healing and peace for all of the loved ones of the victims, and I offer my sincere condolences at this immensely difficult and sad time.

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