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## **Statement on verdict in Joel Acevedo homicide trial**

**Joint statement from Milwaukee Common Council Members:  
Alderman José G. Pérez, Alderwoman JoCasta Zamarripa,  
Alderman Jonathan Brostoff, Alderman Lamont Westmoreland,  
Alderman Khalif J. Rainey, Alderman Robert J. Bauman,  
Alderwoman Marina Dimitrijevic, Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs,  
Alderwoman Larresa Taylor, Alderman Mark Chambers, Jr.,  
Alderman Mark A. Borkowski, Alderman Scott Spiker, and  
Alderman Russell W. Stamper, II**

To say we are disappointed by the acquittal on Friday (November 10) of former Police Officer Michael Mattioli is an understatement.

Joel Acevedo would be alive today had he not been placed in a chokehold. That sad reality is what it is, and for us it is clear that justice was not served.

Our hearts go out to the Acevedo family, who must now turn to a civil court for justice in the case.