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## MEDIA ADVISORY

### Alderman Requests Fire & Police Commission Chair To Institute Moratorium On Police Department Promotions

**Ald. Joe Davis, Sr.** today requested that the chair of the city's Fire and Police Commission place a moratorium on promotions within the Milwaukee Police Department.

In a letter (**see attached**) sent to FPC Chair **Leonard Sobczak**, Ald. Davis requested the moratorium be in place until a new chief of police is sworn in. The alderman states that he thinks the new chief will be in a better position to judge and evaluate personnel based on past experience and merit. Chief Nannette Hegerty has announced that she'll retire at the end of her term, which expires in November.

"I will not support recommendations of promotions from the current Chief due to the fact that she will not be in a position to monitor the candidate's growth within the department," he states in the letter.

Earlier today Ald. Davis urged Mayor Tom Barrett to throw his strong support behind a moratorium on all MPD promotions until a new chief is sworn in.

In a letter to the mayor, Ald. Davis stated that he's also concerned about past and current cases of alleged misconduct within the department, specifically the aggression and "abuse of power" displayed by officers involved in the beating of Frank Jude Jr. He also referenced the current allegations against **Sgt. Jason Mucha**.