

**Statement of Ald. Joe Davis, Sr.
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DAY 58

STILL NO INFORMATION RE: DEATH OF FRANK MOORE II

“Silence is the most intolerable of answers” – **Mason Cooley**

One week ago I stood beside the family members and friends of Frank Moore II as they witnessed the dedication of W. Frank Moore II Pl. just outside the J.L. Marcus department store where Mr. Moore worked at N. 53rd St. and W. Fond du Lac Ave. Former co-workers fought back tears as they described a man so thoughtful and kind, a genuinely loving person who would go out of his way to help people and to do for others. Family members – some who traveled all the way from Tennessee – very simply described him as a man of God who loved his family.

It was heartbreaking to stand with Mr. Moore’s youngest son, Eric, as he proudly clutched a street sign bearing his father’s name – the name of the most important man in his young life – a man whose everyday physical presence is forever gone from his world. Although friends and relatives are comforting Eric and his siblings, there are no hugs that can compare to a father’s hugs.

To see Eric and his family in pain is hard enough, but to now have nearly two months pass since I first called on Police Chief Nannette Hegerty and District Attorney E. Michael McCann to conduct a thorough investigation into the tragic shooting death of Mr. Moore – the very living embodiment of “Good Samaritan” – and with no information forthcoming on that investigation, makes matters much more difficult for me.

Again, Mr. Moore’s family and the community continue to wait for the information that could help explain what exactly happened that allowed Mr. Moore’s killer to be free to roam the streets when he should have been in jail. And, we continue to wait to see some semblance of accountability from our police and our prosecutors.

I would like to know why our Police Chief can have her staff research every crime- and arrest-related statistic since May, and produce visual aids to display those findings during a news conference, yet she cannot seem to muster the resources necessary to tell Eric Moore why the man who killed his daddy was walking the streets when he should have been locked up.

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