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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE CONTACT: Rep. Bob Donovan

Rep. Donovan Reacts to the Shooting of Two Milwaukee Police Officers

Madison – Representative Bob Donovan (R-Greenfield) gave the following statement after two Milwaukee police officers were <u>shot</u> in the line of duty last night. Officers were responding to a shots fired call for service where they were ambushed by an individual. Both officers were critically injured and transported for treatment. One officer now has non-life-threatening injuries while the other remains in critical condition. This marks the third Milwaukee police officer shot this year. Rep. Donovan said:

"First, I am asking all the residents of the State of Wisconsin to join Kathy and me in keeping these officers and their families in your thoughts and your prayers. Second, if we are going to place blame, then let us place it squarely, where it belongs, with the scumbag who freely chose to pick up a gun, who chose to point that gun at these two officers, and who decided to pull the trigger."

"Apparently Mayor Johnson doesn't see it that way—he blames the guns. Well, let's explore that for a moment. I would venture to say the overwhelming majority of people living in northern Wisconsin have guns yet they are not regularly shooting at cops and terrorizing their communities. A little closer to home, I would guess a large number of Waukesha County residents own guns, yet the same holds true for them."

"Mayor Johnson, I expect better of you and so do many people. The bottom line is that Milwaukee doesn't have a gun problem, it has a criminal problem. The sooner the mayor and city leaders admit this fact and take steps to address it, the better off we all will be."

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