



WISCONSIN STATE REPRESENTATIVE

**Deb Andraca**

23RD ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

BAYSIDE FOX POINT GRAFTON MEQUON THIENSVILLE WHITEFISH BAY

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**Rep. Deb Andraca's Statement on Reckless Gun Incident During  
Whitefish Bay Trick-or-Treat**

Representative Deb Andraca (D – Whitefish Bay) released the following statement regarding the reckless use of a gun during trick-or-treating in Whitefish Bay:

“As a 20-year resident of Whitefish Bay, I know that the village has a long and proud tradition of welcoming all children who need a safe place to celebrate trick-or-treat. So I was horrified to learn of the dangerous actions of a member of the community.

Anyone who would use a gun in this manner – to threaten young people while under the influence – is not a responsible gun owner. We are all very fortunate that no one was hurt, but we can not – and should not – rely on luck to keep our community safe.

Currently our state's gun laws do not require background checks on private gun sales and our local law enforcement officers do not have the power to remove guns from people who pose a danger to themselves or others – until it is too late. Enforcing our existing gun laws is not enough. We must close these loopholes in state law to help decrease the gun violence that is taking the lives of so many much too soon.

I ran for office on a platform including responsible gun ownership and restoring a culture of gun safety to Wisconsin. When the legislature is back in session, I will be introducing background check and red flag law bills, and I sincerely hope my colleagues will give these proposals the public hearing and support they so urgently deserve.”

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