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Statement from Senator LaTonya Johnson on Shooting of Milwaukee Police Officers

MILWAUKEE – Last night, two Milwaukee police officers were shot while responding to a call near 25th and Garfield. Both were taken to the hospital, where one remains in critical condition.

Gun violence has made it harder for officers to do their jobs. When firearms are widespread, every call becomes more dangerous, and no amount of training can truly prepare someone for walking into an ambush.

In response to this incident, Senator LaTonya Johnson released the following statement:

"My heart goes out to both officers, their loved ones, and everyone in the department. Both were doing their job in service to the city, and Milwaukee is lucky to have such brave officers protecting our streets. Nobody should have to live in fear that a routine call could turn into a tragedy. I am praying that both make a quick and full recovery, and I am confident that our law enforcement officers will soon bring the perpetrator to justice."

"This incident is a public safety failure by the State of Wisconsin, brought on by years of inaction on gun violence and more than a decade of disinvestment in our community. If we are serious about supporting our police officers, we need to take serious steps to address gun access and illegal weapons in our neighborhoods. Milwaukee cannot do this alone; only the State Legislature can effectively address the threat of gun violence in our city and our state. We owe it to these two officers, and to every victim, to take action now."

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