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Ford Calls for Protection for Families on 800 Block of LeClaire

CHICAGO- Earlier this morning a drive by shooting took place on the 800 block of LeClaire striking both people and property. State Representative La Shawn Ford's vehicle was struck by bullets during the drive by while he was parked on the street. Flying bullets also struck a home of a family that was ultimately stopped by a loveseat's armrest.

"No one is immune to the violence of this city," said Ford. "I was lucky my family wasn't sitting in the vehicle when this happened. Though I was lucky, a lot of people on the West Side are not. The city needs to take more aggressive steps to protect the people on the West Side and end this violence now."

In July alone, 18 people were shot and killed, 128 were shot and wounded, 146 people were shot and there have been 21 homicides in Chicago.

"Austin is leading the way in homicides in the city," said Ford. "Imagine being a child where, through no fault of your own, you cannot play outside without fearing that you may become a victim of the violence that is plaguing the city."

This year to date in Chicago there has been 248 shot and killed, 1150 were shot and wounded, 1389 were shot and there have been 273 total homicides.

"Every person affected by the thousands of incidents of gun violence in our city knows that the senseless violence needs to stop," said Ford. "The taxpayers are demanding an end to the ongoing chaos of illegal activity day and night on Chicago Avenue and LeClaire. This weekend alone, there has been multiple shootings and murders on the 800 block of LeClaire and the families are terrified to come out of their doors."

For more information, please contact Ford's constituent service office at 773-416-4663 or email Repford@lashawnford.com.



Rep. Ford's Vehicle on 821 N LeClaire



Armrest in the Family Home on 833 N LeClaire





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