

Mil. Alderman Donovan: Fire house shooting sickens me

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I am appalled and sickened hearing about today's shooting incident at Fire Station 13 (2901 N. 30th St.). Although I am out of town visiting friends, the news came quickly and made me wonder what our society is coming to.

There were at least six shots fired into the station, I am told, and thank God no one was hurt. The station is the busiest fire house in the state, and the Milwaukee Fire Department personnel working there are the very people who do their duty every day to save lives – and they are being shot at?!

Sadly, I cannot avoid thinking that because Engine Company 13, which normally is located at Fire Station 13, will respond from Fire Station 5, (1313 W. Reservoir Ave.), that response times will be negatively impacted, and I certainly hope this is a minimal effect.

Today's incident, in my view, shows just how dysfunctional some have become in some of our city's most challenged neighborhoods.

Please – if you see a Milwaukee firefighter or a Milwaukee cop today – say “Thank you” and offer your support.