

Rep. Neylon: Issues statement on Waukesha Christmas Parade tragedies

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Pewaukee - In response to the tragic events that occurred at the 2021 Waukesha Christmas Parade, State Representative Adam Neylon (R-Pewaukee), who represents the City of Waukesha, issued the following statement:

What happened last night at the Waukesha Christmas Parade was an incomprehensible tragedy. In a time when so many traditions and activities have changed or been put on hold, the Waukesha Christmas Parade was an opportunity for our community to celebrate together. My heart aches for all of the families that are forever impacted by this senseless act.

My thoughts and prayers are with the victims, their families, and everyone who witnessed the tragedy that happened last night in downtown Waukesha. I am grateful for the first responders in Waukesha and the surrounding communities that so quickly came to the scene. I am grateful for the bystanders that helped their fellow community members who were injured. I pray that our community does not experience anything like this ever again.

There are many ways to support our community at this time. If you would like to be of help, please consider donating blood (donate.wisconsin.versiti.org/donor/schedules/centers) or (redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive) or contributing to the "United for Waukesha Community Fund" which will support the needs of the families impacted by this incident (waukeshafoundation.org/parade).

Many of us are struggling to comprehend the impacts of this tragedy. If you need

support, please contact the Disaster Distress Helpline by calling or texting 800-985-5990. The Disaster Distress Helpline has caring counselors and is available 24/7.

Our community is strong. We will grieve together and we will come together to support the victims of this terrible tragedy.