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ALDERMAN, 13TH DISTRICT

Resume'

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Professional Experience

Alderman, 13 district City of Milwaukee

2003 - Present

Instructional Staff UW – Whitewater

1986 – Present

I have taught various traffic safety courses including Current Issues in Highway Safety, Pedestrian Workshop, Introduction to Safety, Administration of School Safety, Alcohol and Other Drugs, etc. I have served as deputy project coordinator for the WISDOT , BOTS statewide safety belt survey. I also seek traffic safety grant opportunities and as a result, conducted research on child restraint use, African American restraint use and the effectiveness of "Slow Down" lawn signs.

**Traffic Safety Consultant
Blue Sky Consulting, Inc.**

2000 – 2003

I provided traffic safety services to units of government and organizations including: grant writing and administration; community education; media services; studies and surveys; and coordination between units of government, community groups, etc. Clients have included the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Department, Shorewood Police Department, Preusser Research Group of Connecticut, Waukesha County District Attorney's Office, Wisconsin Bureau of Transportation Safety, University of Wisconsin – Whitewater, PAS Systems and Summerfest.

I also spoke on safety efforts and since 2000 have spoken on aggressive driving: at the Florida's Aggressive Driving Summit 2000 presented by the Institute of Police Technology and Management; the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Lifesavers 2000 conference on national highway safety priorities in Atlanta; the Governor's Conference on Highway Safety in Cedar Rapids Iowa, Minnesota Safe and Sober state conference in St. Cloud; Wisconsin County Police Association, Pepin, WI; and participated in an aggressive driving workshop at National Academy of Sciences in Washington D. C. I have also spoken on pedestrian safety at the National Safety Council Congress and on safety belts at the Wisconsin Governor's Conference on Highway Safety.

Safety Director - City of Milwaukee

1986 - 2000

Appointed in 1986 by Mayor Henry Maier and re-appointed in 1988, 1992 and 1996 by Mayor John O. Norquist.

The position served the eighteen member Milwaukee Safety Commission and also headed the Safety Division of the Milwaukee Police Department. The director administered community safety education and public information programs. It was responsible for the city's child pedestrian protection program including the safety patrol program and 230 person adult school crossing guard program. The director served as highway safety coordinator for the city and obtained grant funding for safety efforts including community education and enforcement programs. The director served as the safety liaison to other city departments, the common council, other levels of government and the community.

Achievements:

- Initiated efforts resulting in the building of a Survive Alive House
- Coordinated efforts that resulted in Milwaukee Public Schools keeping Driver Education.
- Obtained 36 grants and \$1,741,611 in funding from 1991 through 1998, which had positive results for Milwaukee. Wrote and coordinated the national demonstration grant seeking ways to combat aggressive driving.
- In 1994, the city recorded the lowest fatality total since record keeping began, and bettered that record in 1998. The third lowest year occurred in 1999 with the fourth lowest happening in 1996 and sixth lowest in 1997. Traffic crashes dropped to the lowest since World War II in 1997, 1998 and 1999.
- Speed related crashes were cut in half and alcohol related crashes cut in half.
- Safety belt usage increased and disabling injuries decreased by 49%.
- Grant funded enforcement and public information reintroduced traffic enforcement as a vital crime-fighting tool.
- Introduced and coordinated the first ever-countywide traffic enforcement and education cooperative effort involving all 18 jurisdictions in 1993 called Operation Driver Improvement. Four countywide programs followed.
- Initiated efforts resulting in the municipal courts implementing a Defensive Driving Course option for violators.
- Initiated efforts that resulted in a school bus safety task force being formed and coordinated efforts to implement the recommendations which reduced school bus crashes by one-third.
- The city was recognized for its safety efforts in 1993, 1995, 1996 and 1998 by the International Association of Chiefs of Police and annually by the AAA.

Child Safety Education Supervisor - City of Milwaukee

1970 - 1986

Supervised the child pedestrian protection program and child safety education program for the Milwaukee Safety Commission. I researched, wrote and designed pedestrian and bicycle safety materials, many of which are still in use here and nationally. Child pedestrian accidents were cut in half from 1972 to 1980.

Educational Background

Master of Science - University of Wisconsin Whitewater - Department of Safety Studies
Bachelor of Arts - Marquette University - Political Science major
Graduated from Notre Dame High School and St. Gerard Grade School in Milwaukee

Professional and Community Leadership

- Board - St. Joseph's Foundation
- Board – Milwaukee Society of the Polish National Alliance
- Past Treasurer – Polish Heritage Alliance [Polish Festivals, Inc and Polish Center of Wisconsin]
- Past President - Milwaukee Society of the Polish National Alliance
- Past President - South Side Civic Association
- Past President - Eleemosynarians of St. Francis Hospital
- Past President - Milwaukee Survive Alive House Foundation
- Past President - South Side Business Club
- Past Vice Chairman Elect – AAA Wisconsin Advisory Board
- Past Vice Chairman - Wisconsin AAA Young Peoples Committee for Traffic Safety
- Past President - Wisconsin Highway Safety Coordinator Association
- Past Chairman - Pedestrian Committee of the National Safety Council, Highway Division
- Past Board - CANDID - Citizens Against Drug Impaired Drivers
- Past Board - BADD, Business Against Drunk Drivers
- Past Board - National Safety Council
- Past Chairman - Educational Resources Division of the National Safety Council
- Past Interim President - Wisconsin Traffic and Safety Officers Association
- Past Board - Wisconsin School Safety Coordinators Association
- Deputy Project Director for Project Harmony, a U.S. State Department funded law enforcement exchange program between the Greenfield Police Department and Ukrainian Police 2001-2002 including a 16 day information sharing trip to Ukraine as a delegate presenting state of the art of U.S. community policing and safety concepts

Served on various tasks forces and committees through out my career including national, state, and local. Lectured at Northwestern University Traffic Institute, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, Platteville and Whitewater, Marquette University and The Milwaukee Area Technical College on various safety topics.

Awards

- Received the Distinguished Service to Safety Award, the highest award given to an individual by the National Safety Council. Presented in 1993.
- Named Distinguished Alumni by UW Whitewater in 1996.
- Community Service Award from Businesses Against Drunk Driving in 1995.
- Milwaukee Common Council Exceptional Performance Awards in 1981 and 1986 for outstanding contributions to the City of Milwaukee.
- Received an Honorary Life Membership in the Wisconsin Congress of Parents and Teachers through the Milwaukee City Council of PTA and PTSA's, Inc. in 1991.
- 2000 – People Who Shine, Lifetime Achievement Award, from WISDOT, BOTS
- 2003 – Named Outstanding American of Polish Decent by the Milwaukee Society of the Polish National Alliance