

U.S. Rep. Moore: Statement on tasing and arrest of Sterling Brown

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In response to the release of the video documenting the tasing and arrest of Milwaukee Bucks' player Sterling Brown, Congresswoman Gwen Moore (WI-04) released the following statement:

“The video released last night is yet another appalling blow to the public trust and integrity by those who are meant to protect and serve our communities. It is clear that Mr. Brown was not antagonistic or threatening and that the officer's escalation of the situation placed both himself and Mr. Brown in danger. Enough is enough of this culture that tolerates violence by rogue officers and that continues to erode public confidence in our nation's justice system.

“On the heels of the \$1.9 Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) “stop and frisk” settlement, the shooting of Dontre Hamilton, and this most recent incident, it is long past time for MPD to make immediate reforms. On a federal level, we must redouble our efforts to pass legislation that will work to put an end to our nation's long history of police brutality against Black and brown Americans. In Congress, I am fighting for [mandated de-escalation training](#) in police academies across the country. The people who swear an oath to protect our communities must learn to put life first. I challenge the MPD to set the national standard for integrity, accountability, and community-oriented policing to heal the deep divides in our city.”