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Representative Joe Sanfelippo on death of Milwaukee Police Officer Rittner

Madison, Wis. – Representative Joe Sanfelippo, R - New Berlin, issued the following statement with respect to the shooting death of Milwaukee Police Officer killed in the line of duty yesterday:

I was extremely saddened to learn of the tragic passing of Milwaukee Police Officer Matthew Rittner, who was killed yesterday in the line of duty. I would like to offer my deepest condolences and prayers to Officer Rittner's family and fellow police officers in this difficult time. Officer Rittner spent 17 years in service to the Milwaukee Police Department and was also a highly-decorated U.S. Marine, having served two combat tours in Iraq. He was a true hero in every sense of the word. The loss of Officer Rittner is heartbreaking news for the Milwaukee area and for our nation.

The work of the brave men and women who choose to risk their lives in order to protect our communities is always dangerous and demanding. They deserve our support and to have available all the resources that they need to do their jobs safely.

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