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### **Sheriff Applauds Gov. Walker Decision to Arm National Guard**

**Milwaukee, WI** – Governor Scott Walker today took the necessary action needed to protect National Guard members at the Milwaukee office and throughout Wisconsin. This comes on the heels of the terror attack on several military recruiting centers in Chattanooga, TN last week as well as other attacks throughout the country.

#### **Statement from Sheriff David A. Clarke Jr.**

"Thank you Governor Walker for doing what needed to be done. This decisive action will better protect Guard members and centers throughout Wisconsin. These centers are in commercial areas used by the public who are thus in harm's way as well.

This will serve as a force multiplier to local law enforcement whose officers are now the first line of defense in protecting the homeland. Governor Walker displays a sense of urgency, which is lacking from our commander in chief, in response to the home-grown terror threat that has reached our shores. This is not the first attack, nor will it be the last, unfortunately, but sticking one's head in the sand and thinking happy thoughts is not an effective counter-terrorism strategy. Terrorists, like other mass murderers, pick sites, in part, where vulnerable people cannot immediately counter the threat before mass carnage ensues."

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