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**Statement in response to early morning downtown violence:  
Steve Cramer, mpls downtown council, President & CEO**

“There is no excuse for the reckless, irresponsible and criminal behavior on display early this morning in the Warehouse District that left two people dead, eight injured and countless more frightened after enjoying a night out. There are too many people in our City today who believe they can act with impunity, consequences be damned. Until that changes, and our entire community rises up – family members, elected officials, business, community and faith leaders, prosecutors, judges, all of us – to say enough, we can expect this insanity to continue. In particular, we look for determined, clear-eyed leadership from City Hall to put Minneapolis back on course as a City that engenders respectful behavior so all can thrive.”