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The Wisconsin Legislative Black Caucus Responds to the Shooting of Jacob Blake

MADISON – The Wisconsin Legislative Black Caucus released the following statement regarding the shooting of Jacob Blake:

As Mr. Jacob Blake continues to fight for his life after a most violent encounter with Kenosha police; we pray for his recovery. We know that Mr. Blake's police encounter was only the latest example of systemic racism within US police culture. As a caucus we continue to fight for equity for Wisconsinites and justice for those who have been aggrieved by the effects racism. We are honored to be joined in our efforts today by Rev. Jesse Jackson, a champion for equal rights and one whose many decades of leadership spur us towards being a 'more perfect union'. We offer ourselves and our resources to the family of Mr. Blake and to City of Kenosha; understanding that equity is required by and for all, by any means necessary.

Members of the Wisconsin Legislative Black Caucus are: Senators Lena Taylor (D-Milwaukee) and LaTonya Johnson (D-Milwaukee) and Representatives Jason Fields (D-Milwaukee), David Bowen (D-Milwaukee), Kalan Haywood II (D-Milwaukee), LaKeshia Myers (D-Milwaukee), and Sheila Stubbs (D-Madison).

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