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## Statement on Wisconsin Supreme Court "Safer at Home" Ruling

MADISON – State Representative Jessie Rodriguez (R-Oak Creek) issued the following statement after the <u>Wisconsin Supreme Court ruling</u> in *Wisconsin Legislature v. Andrea Palm*, which declared <u>Emergency Order 28</u> unenforceable:

"In a ruling last night, the Wisconsin Supreme Court struck down the actions taken by the Department of Health Services (DHS) to extend Gov. Evers' 'Safer at Home' order.

"The ruling, which takes effect immediately, allows for the reopening of all businesses. Schools will remain closed for the remainder of the 2019/20 academic school year. Business owners are advised to heed the <u>guidelines for reopening</u> put forth by the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) to ensure a safe reopening that their employees and patrons can feel comfortable with.

"Members of the community are encouraged to continue to follow the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on sensible practices such as social distancing, good hand washing, sanitizing frequently touched surfaces, and staying home when sick.

"I encourage the public to be mindful of municipal or county public health orders that may be implemented at any time under current law. They should contact their local public health department when determining how to proceed."

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