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## **MACC Fund and Legislators Team up to Save Lives**

### *Bill creates new vanity license plates*

On Monday, December 7, Senator Duey Stroebel (R-Cedarburg), Representative Janel Brandtjen (R-Menomonee Falls), MACC Fund president and founder Jon McGlocklin, and the medical staff at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin will discuss legislation which provides motorists the opportunity to proudly display MACC Fund vanity license plates. In addition to these community leaders, families who have experienced the unimaginable loss of a child to cancer will be attending the press conference to discuss the need for additional research.

Assembly Bill 401 allows a person who is interested in supporting the efforts of the MACC Fund to advance research to obtain a special motor vehicle registration plate. In addition to the regular vehicle registration fee, interested citizens would annually pay a \$15 fee for issuance of the special plates and include a \$25 payment that provides funds to the MACC Fund.

"As a father of eight children, I cannot imagine having to watch any of them suffer through cancer at a young age," said Sen. Stroebel. "The work of the MACC Fund is so integral to finding a cure. This bill represents another opportunity for Wisconsinites to support this great organization as they fight to end childhood cancer. But the DOT may not issue these special plates until it receives contributions from interested persons which cover initial costs of production, estimated at \$23,700. I urge everyone to consider requesting these special plates."

"I have personally met with many families that have either lost children to cancer or are currently bravely battling the disease," added Rep. Brandtjen. "In particular, I have met with the Verhaalen family. They lost a daughter to childhood cancer a year ago. While nothing can replace their horrible loss, they are here to advocate for this bill. They appreciate that in order to end this scourge, we need to continue funding groups like the MACC Fund. I thank them for their involvement and urge everyone to engage in this crucial effort."

**When:** Monday, December 7, 2015, 10 a.m.

**Where:** Lobby of Children's Hospital of Wisconsin's west tower, 8915 W. Connell Ct.

**Parking:** After dropping equipment off at the main entrance, please park in the visiting parking structure.

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