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Current Legislative Update-Standing Up for SeniorCare

Recently, I sent a letter to the Co-Chair of the Joint Finance Committee, Rep. John Nygren. The letter stated my strong support for SeniorCare. Following a recent statement by Rep. John Nygren, signaling his support as well as my other Assembly colleagues, I consequently put out a statement regarding my stand on SeniorCare:



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Rep. Novak Fights for SeniorCare

Madison... State Representative Todd Novak (R-Dodgeville) issued the following statement regarding his support for preserving SeniorCare:

"I have been contacted by many constituents who are concerned about the Governor's proposed budget. The budget covers a large range of subjects and issues; the proposed cuts to long term care and aging care programs is an issue that many are apprehensive about. "

"Recently, I authored a letter to the Co-Chair of the Joint Finance Committee, Representative John Nygren. The letter conveyed my strong support for SeniorCare. I expressed how the proposed changes to SeniorCare, is specifically troubling to the senior residents of my district who are enrolled in the program. SeniorCare is an important program that ensures the elderly are able to afford the medications they need, even those that aren't covered under Medicare. I am pleased with Representative Nygren's announcement that he and fellow colleagues on the Joint Finance Committee intend to support SeniorCare."

"On behalf of my constituents and seniors across the state, I intend to fight to Preserve and Save

SeniorCare. It is a vital program that benefits our seniors by keeping prescriptions affordable.”

Rep. Novak's office is located at 304 North in the Wisconsin State Capitol. He can be contacted by phone at (608) 266-7502 or by e-mail at Rep.Novak@legis.wisconsin.gov.

Representative Novak serves the 51st Assembly District, which includes parts of Green, Iowa, Lafayette, Richland, and Sauk Counties.

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What's Happening in Madison...

Yesterday, the Joint Finance Committee (JFC) wrapped up their fourth and final public hearing of this year's budget process. With the budget continuing to be worked on by the state legislature, the state capitol continues to be a busy place. Nevertheless, it's always refreshing to participate in local events, to visit with constituents, share moments with, and meet with folks from the district when they visit Madison.

I'd like to congratulate the Mineral Point Boys High School Basketball team on their recent accomplishment; the team earned the Silver Ball at the WIAA State Tournament this past weekend--What a season!

I was glad to have been able to attend the Eagle Scout Ceremony this past weekend. Christian J. Lepinske of Boy Scouts of America Troop 165 in Dodgeville, Wisconsin, was honored at a special Court of Honor for achieving the Eagle Scout Award. It was a great time, and congratulations Christian!

Additionally, it was a pleasure to have a class of 3rd and 4th graders from Plain Elementary School visit this week. Tara Johnson and her multi-age class from River Valley Schools took a tour of the Capitol, and we were able to get a picture in the Rotunda.

If you ever find yourself in Madison or your group plans to visit the State Capitol, I hope that you can stop by my office, 304 North. It is a beautiful facility full of history. I'd definitely encourage you to take a tour someday - Now that Winter is coming to a close, the Capitol and surrounding area would make a great day trip for the family.



Mineral Point High School Boys Basketball team with the Silver Ball.



Christian Lepinske's Eagle Scout award ceremony with Senator Marklein.



Tara Johnson and her multi-age class of 3rd and 4th graders. Hope you guys had fun at the Capitol.

Sincerely,



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