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Rep. Nygren Honored by Wisconsin Academy of Family Physicians

Madison – Wednesday, State Representative John Nygren (R-Marinette) received the “Friend of Family Physicians Award” from the Wisconsin Academy of Family Physicians (WAFP). Rep. Nygren released the following statement regarding the award:

“I am honored to have been named a friend to family physicians by the Wisconsin Academy of Family Physicians for my work on the Heroin, Opioid Prevention and Education (HOPE) Agenda. Partnering with the medical community has been an integral step in fighting our state’s prescription opioid epidemic, and I appreciate Wisconsin physicians’ willingness to help combat this problem.

“Wisconsin’s opioid epidemic is more than a drug problem – it’s a public health crisis. Expanding access to the proper mental health care, increasing the availability of opioid antagonists, and reviewing doctors’ prescribing practices only make up a small piece of the puzzle. It is for this reason that the legislature’s work with the medical community has been so important.

“Thank you to WAFP for awarding me with this honor. There is much more work to be done to fight the prescription opioid epidemic, and I look forward to continuing to work with physicians statewide to further address drug-related issues in Wisconsin.”

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