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NFIB BESTOWS SENATOR OLSEN WITH COVETED GUARDIAN AWARD

MADISON (October 25, 2016) – The National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), Wisconsin’s leading small business advocacy organization, announced today that Senator Luther Olsen (R-14) is a recipient of their Guardian Award. This award, which is NFIB’s highest honor, is reserved for elected officials who have tirelessly stood up for the best interests of small business owners in the Legislature.

“We are fortunate to have Senator Olsen, who is also a small business owner himself, in Madison. He brings his real life experience as an entrepreneur to the legislature and has never relented in fighting for his fellow small business owners, “according to NFIB Wisconsin state director, Bill G. Smith. “The Senator worked hard to ensure that pro-small business legislation was passed and he often led the opposition to proposals harmful to small business.

The 2015-2016 legislative session dealt with various issues that impact the small business community throughout Wisconsin. NFIB spent significant resources fighting for legislation that, among other things, repealed the prevailing wage, reduced fraud in unemployment insurance and provided a funding mechanism for the tourism industry. Senator Olsen stood side by side with small business owners in each and every one of these issues and for that reason, he has been presented with the Guardian Award by NFIB.

“We are grateful for Senator Olsen’s strong leadership he provides issues relating to the small business dominated tourism industry,” continued Smith, “and we know he will continue to be an effective advocate for all issues that will promote and strengthen Wisconsin’s small business community.”

The Guardian of Small Business award is the most prestigious honor that NFIB bestows on legislators in recognition of their efforts to support small business issues.

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NFIB is the nation’s leading small business association, with offices in Washington, D.C. and all 50 state capitals. Founded in 1943 as a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization, NFIB gives small and independent business owners a voice in shaping the public policy issues that affect their business. NFIB’s powerful network of grassroots activists send their views directly to state and federal lawmakers through our unique member-only ballot, thus playing a critical role in supporting America’s free enterprise system. More information can be found at www.NFIB.com.