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Majority Leader Steineke Announces He Will Not Seek Reelection to Assembly

Kaukauna – State Representative Jim Steineke (R-Kaukauna) announced today that he will not seek reelection to the state Assembly in the fall of 2022.

"Serving as an elected representative has been one of the most rewarding and challenging experiences of my life," said Steineke. "However, I firmly believe the time has come to pass the torch and allow for others in our community to step forward and serve their neighbors."

While in office, Steineke has served as an integral part of the team that passed monumental reforms like: Act 10, right-to-work legislation, prevailing wage reforms, and the rebalancing of the state's finances. He's equally proud of the work he did to expand access to mental health care for our school aged children, combat homelessness, address racial disparities, and ensure the child's best interests are paramount when determining adoption placement.

"Through bold, conservative leadership, we've been able to accomplish so much. From reforming government to work smarter and more efficiently, to turning our state's bleak budget picture around into continuous surpluses, I'm extremely proud of the results legislative Republicans have been able to deliver over the past decade."

Previously a supervisor in the Town of Vandenbroek and a member of the Outagamie County Board, Steineke was first elected to represent the 5th Assembly district in November of 2010. In 2012, he was selected by his peers to serve as the assistant majority leader and in 2014 he was elected to serve as Assembly Majority Leader – a role which he has won four consecutive terms and maintains to this day.

"As I refocus my efforts on returning to the private sector in the weeks and months ahead, I remain committed to doing everything in my power to advance conservative policies and serve as a check against the governor and his administration to prevent extreme ideologies from being enacted."

"The continuing support I have received in this role from the community has been incredible and I'd like to thank the voters for continuing to place their trust in me as their representative. That's made this decision even more difficult. The encouragement I've received from my wife and children through the past 10 years has been truly tremendous, and for that, I'll be eternally grateful."

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Representative Steineke serves as the Assembly Majority Leader in addition to representing Wisconsin's 5th Assembly District, which includes parts of Brown and Outagamie counties.