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Rep. Lori Palmeri Recognizes Mee & Lee Yang for Being Named Recipients of the 2023-24 Hometown Hero Award

MADISON – This week, Representative Lori Palmeri and Representative Michael Schraa, on behalf of the Wisconsin State Assembly, recognized Mee and Lee Yang as recipients of the 2023-24 Hometown Hero Award for their service and community advocacy in Oshkosh for both the Hmong population and the betterment of the entire community. Rep. Palmeri released the following statement:

“It is my pleasure to introduce Mee and Lee Yang as our recipients of the Hometown Heroes Award this morning. I would also like to thank Representative Schraa for joining me today in recognizing two incredible people, highly deserving of this award.” stated Rep. Palmeri.

“I first met Mee and Lee Yang after I was elected to the Oshkosh Common Council. Soon after, I attended one of their culture sharing Hmong Memorial Day Festival’s and saw first-hand the impact they were making on the Oshkosh community through their service on community boards, commissions, soccer tournaments, teen pageants, raising scholarship dollars for students and providing financial counseling, all at a great sacrifice to their time, talent and money.

“The Yang’s passion for helping others is deeply rooted in their life experiences as refugees from their homeland of Laos, their time in refugee camps in Thailand, and their experience immigrating to the United States which has motivated them to help others and give back to the community that welcomed them and provided a new home and future. I continue to be inspired by their commitment to a greater good and their passion for operating the Hmong Service Center on Main Street in Oshkosh, which continues to be a labor of love.”

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