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Statement on UW System Naming Tommy Thompson as Interim President

Madison – Representative Nancy VanderMeer (R-Tomah) released the following statement [following the announcement from the University of Wisconsin System](#) that former Governor Tommy Thompson will serve as Interim President:

“I’m glad to see that my good friend Governor Thompson was named by the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents to serve as UW System Interim President. Tommy has proven time and time again to be an innovative problem solver and his leadership will be an asset to the entire UW System in light of ongoing and recent challenges brought upon this year by COVID-19.

“Tommy has been a champion of the Wisconsin Idea. That concept is particularly important for the nearly \$105 billion agriculture industry in our state and I particularly hope to work with him to continue to make sure that the UW System is uniquely positioned to best serve the ag industry and all of our farmers, including our cranberry, dairy, pork, and potato and vegetable producers, among others.”

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