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Attends President's Rolling Back Regulations to Help All Americans Event at White House

Washington – Representative Nancy VanderMeer (R-Tomah) attended President Trump's 'Rolling Back Regulations to Help All Americans' event and address at the White House this afternoon. VanderMeer was invited to attend the event with a group of other Republican State Representatives. The purpose of the event was to highlight the importance of the President and his Administration's <u>Initiative on Regulatory Innovation</u> and their accomplishments and agenda related to deregulation and smart regulation.

"It was an honor to receive an invite to the event and I was happy to attend. In a number of instances, the regulatory state and infinite levels of bureaucracy have egregiously exceeded the original purpose of government oversight. As a result, that has moved government farther and farther away from the people it's intended to serve. The President and his Administration's track record on deregulation is second to none and they should be commended. This has provided a direct benefit to taxpayers, farmers, workers, and employers throughout Wisconsin. His commitment to smart regulation moving forward will further enhance the paramount mission of recovering jobs lost during the public health crisis and rapidly getting the economy back on track," VanderMeer shared.

"Occupational licensing is an important part of these efforts as well. At the state level, I was proud to partner with Senator Chris Kapenga (R-Delafield) this session to author and get signed into law <u>legislation</u> that makes it easier for current and former members of the military and their spouses to obtain reciprocal credentials when living in Wisconsin. The new changes will make it easier for military members and their spouses to pursue their chosen profession, provide for their families, and contribute to the local economy."

In addition to authoring and passing bipartisan legislation easing occupational burdens for current and former military members and their spouses, Representative VanderMeer teamed up with Senator Dan Feyen (R-Fond du Lac), Representative Jill Billings (D-La Crosse) and Senator Janice Ringhand (D-Evansville) this session to author and pass <u>legislation</u> that incentivizes investors to invest in <u>Wisconsin Opportunity Zones</u>, capitalizing on the <u>Federal Opportunity Zone Program</u> designed to attract private investment in underserved rural and urban areas throughout the country.

Opportunity Zones were created under the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act and signed into law by President Trump on December 22, 2017. Reducing regulatory burdens in opportunity zones for development was referenced in the Transforming America's Communities portion the event summary provided by the White House. VanderMeer was recently recognized by the Wisconsin Economic Development Association with the "Champion of Economic Development Award" for her work this legislative session on Opportunity Zones and supporting economic development throughout the state.

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The 70th Assembly District includes portions of Monroe, Jackson, Portage and Wood counties