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STATE REPRESENTATIVE • 70<sup>TH</sup> ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

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## Robarge Awarded First Responder of Year Award for 70<sup>th</sup> Assembly District

**Madison** – Yesterday, during a floor session, Representative Nancy VanderMeer (R-Tomah) presented the First Responder of the Year Award for the 70<sup>th</sup> Assembly District to City of Tomah Deputy Chief, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Adam Robarge, of Tomah. Robarge was nominated for the award by City of Tomah Public Safety Director and Fire Chief, Tim Adler, in recognition of achieving twenty consecutive years of National EMS Certification, a distinction held by few Emergency Medical Service professionals.

In acknowledgement of Deputy Chief Robarge's award, Representative VanderMeer stated, "I'm proud to recognize this hometown hero. He has shown up to save local lives on the job for 20 years now, and I believe that our community is a better place because of his service. I'm happy to know that our local communities are protected by a hero who chooses to go above and beyond the call of duty to serve others every day of the year. On behalf of the entire 70<sup>th</sup> Assembly District, thank you to Deputy Chief Robarge, Public Safety Director and Chief Adler, and all of the brave first responders throughout the 70<sup>th</sup> Assembly District."

Deputy Chief Robarge was Nationally Registered as an EMT-Basic in 2001 and has been serving the Tomah community since March of 2021. He became a Nationally Registered EMT-Paramedic in 2014 and is currently licensed as a Critical Care Transport Paramedic for Tomah Area Ambulance Service. To maintain his status as a Nationally Registered EMT, Deputy Chief Robarge completed, on a biennial basis, the most comprehensive recertification program for EMS professionals in America. By maintaining his National EMS Certification and completing regular continuing education courses, Deputy Chief Robarge has demonstrated his commitment to providing exceptional pre-hospital emergency medical care. Deputy Chief Robarge received the Assembly Hometown Hero Award plaque and was recognized before the entire Assembly.

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