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Rep. Billings Statement on State of the Tribes Address

MADISON – Today the Legislature heard the 19th consecutive State of the Tribes Address.

“It is an important day in the Capitol, Charman Robert Van Zile of the Sokoagan Chippewa Community, the Mole Lake Band of Lake Superior Chippewa and the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council gave this year’s State of the Tribe Address.”

“This was a significant opportunity to hear updates from tribal leaders on the issues impacting Wisconsin’s sovereign tribal nations. Chairman Van Zile spoke on many issues facing tribal members and governments including education, environment, healthcare, and public safety. I look forward to continuing to partner with our tribes on the important issues affecting communities across the state.”

“This honored tradition, which began in 2005, provides an opportunity to strengthen the relationship between our state government and our tribal nations. When we listen to one another and work together, we are able to make the best decisions that strengthen our entire community across the State of Wisconsin.”

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