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Rep. Billings Statement on Governor Evers' Capital Budget

MADISON – Today, Governor Tony Evers announced his 2023-25 Capital Budget proposal, which includes the approval of several projects on the UW-La Crosse Campus. Under large projects, Prairie Springs Phase II and the Center for the Arts Parking Ramp are included, as well as other necessary repairs and updates at the Wing Technology Center, Graff Main Hall, Mitchell Hall, and the East Chilling Plant. Rep. Jill Billings released this statement following the announcement:

“We are gratified that Governor Evers recognizes the importance of our campus to the State of Wisconsin. He has included several projects that I, and many others in our community, have advocated for in support of UW-La Crosse in the 2023-25 Capital Budget,” said Rep. Billings. “If approved, these proposals will help strengthen our campus and complete the long-overdue and much-needed Prairie Springs II Science Building Project. I look forward to supporting these projects in a bi-partisan manner as a member of the State Building Commission and Chair of the Higher Education Subcommittee.”

“Prairie Springs II is critical to the instruction of students planning careers in science and health professions and those declaring majors in The College of Science and Health,” stated Rep. Billings. “Our students have proven to be invaluable in their chosen fields, going on to graduate and boost the workforce not only in our region, but across the State of Wisconsin, especially at a time of workforce shortages in the healthcare field. After more than a decade, it is imperative we move this project forward; the cost will only continue to grow if it is further delayed.”

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Rep. Jill Billings serves the 95th District in the Wisconsin State Assembly. The 95th District includes all of the city of La Crosse, town of Campbell and a portion of the town of Shelby.