

Representative • 97<sup>th</sup> Assembly District

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## Healthcare?

Today, Rep Allen released the following statement in regards to Gov. Evers' decision to call a special session for the purposes of repealing the Wisconsin life protection statute.

"The rhetoric surrounding Gov. Evers' special session is that it has to do with 'healthcare', but in reality, it doesn't. Ending a human life is the very opposite of healthcare. No, the special session called by Gov. Evers is a political ploy that demonstrates his lack of respect for basic human dignity.

"The science could not be clearer when it comes to abortion. A fetus is not merely a clump of cells, but it is a living child with its own unique DNA marking and a detectable heartbeat as early as 6 weeks. It is a distinct human being from the mother, and as such, it is a life worth protecting.

"Although it was claimed in Senator Agard's press release that Wisconsin statute 940.04 'criminalizes patients', in reality, it is only the medical professionals who perform abortions that would be charged, not the mothers. Furthermore, it exempts circumstances in which the mother's life would be at risk, hardly barbaric.

"Gov. Evers is correct that it's about empathy, compassion, and doing the right thing. Yes, our kids and grandkids must grow up in a world that values and cherishes them. Yes, they must have basic rights. Let's celebrate life. Let's protect our kids and grandkids and protect the most basic right - the right to life."

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