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**Sen. Mark Spreitzer Praises Governor Evers's Investment in the  
Woodman's Sports and Convention Center in Janesville**

MADISON – Today, Governor Tony Evers announced a \$15 million state investment to support the Woodman's Sports and Convention Center project in Janesville. Following the Governor's announcement, Senator Mark Spreitzer (D-Beloit) released the following statement:

"I thank Governor Evers for this important investment in our community using federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. The Governor included a \$15 million investment in this project in his 2023-2025 Capital Budget as part of the state budget process, but the funding was unfortunately not included by legislative Republicans in the final state budget that passed the legislature and was signed into law.

"I am deeply grateful to Governor Evers for his continued engagement with community stakeholders and local legislators over the past year, and his continued commitment to making this project a reality. The state's investment in this redevelopment project will promote economic growth and will help Janesville and Rock County continue to be a leading destination in our region.

"I am thankful that Governor Evers recognized this project for what it is: a transformative project for the Janesville community. I look forward to continuing to work with local leaders, community stakeholders, and my constituents on next steps for the project."

The Woodman's Sports and Convention Center will redevelop space at Uptown Janesville at 2500 Milton Avenue. The \$15 million in federal funding directed from the state will be combined with private fundraising, federal grants, and local funding to build a versatile facility that will create a \$23 million annual impact on the local economy. The facility will host conventions, community events, sports competitions, Janesville Jets games, and more.

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