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### **Senator Agard Statement on Redistricting Court Filing**

MADISON – Today, Law Forward filed a lawsuit with the State Supreme Court, challenging the constitutionality of Wisconsin’s legislative maps. State Senator Melissa Agard (D-Madison), Senate Democratic Leader, released the following statement:

“For far too long, Republicans in power gerrymandered Wisconsin’s legislative maps to retain control, rather than represent the will of the majority. It is shameful that for more than a decade, politicians in Wisconsin have chosen their voters, rather than voters choosing their representatives.

“The recent filing by Law Forward is just the first step in restoring democracy and fairness in Wisconsin. When we put people first, we can create opportunity, security and prosperity for our friends and neighbors. Fair maps are how we get back to that ideal.

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*Senator Melissa Agard was elected by her colleagues to serve as Senate Democratic Leader in November of 2022. Senator Agard represents the 16<sup>th</sup> Senate District, encompassing Sun Prairie, Cottage Grove, Monona, Fitchburg, McFarland, and parts of Madison.*