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## **Municipal Welcome Sign Bill for City of Mauston Passes Legislature** ***Bill now before Governor Scott Walker.***

MADISON – State Senator Howard Marklein celebrated the passage of Assembly Bill (AB) 716, which was championed by Representative Ed Brooks (R-Reedsburg) to provide regulatory relief so that the City of Mauston may install the last of four unique welcome signs on State Highway 82. Sen. Marklein co-authored the legislation.

“Welcoming visitors to our communities is central to the warm Wisconsin hospitality we are known for in our communities,” Marklein said. “A right-of-way regulation was preventing the City of Mauston from installing a unique Welcome sign on one of the main entries to their city. This legislation provides relief from this regulation so that the sign may be installed, completing a long project for the city.”

AB 176 treats official municipal welcome signs like directional or other official signs. This bill allows the installation of a municipal welcome sign in the right-of-way of a state highway on property that is within the municipal boundaries of that municipality.

“I am proud to work with my colleague, Rep. Ed Brooks, to get this done for Mauston,” Marklein said. “I look forward to seeing the sign in its rightful place where it will welcome visitors to our community for years to come.”

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