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NFIB BESTOWS SENATOR VAN WANGGAARD WITH COVETED GUARDIAN AWARD

MADISON (September 30, 2016) – The National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), Wisconsin’s leading small business advocacy organization, announced today that Senator Van Wanggaard (R-21) is a recipient of their Guardian Award. This award, which is NFIB’s highest honor, is reserved for elected officials who have tirelessly stood up for the best interests of small business owners in the Legislature.

“Senator Van Wanggaard has been a strong advocate for Main Street businesses since being elected. He certainly brings a unique perspective to Madison and has relentlessly voiced the priorities of the small business community to fellow lawmakers,” according to NFIB Wisconsin state director, Bill G. Smith. “The Senator played a key role in passage of several pro-small business bills during the 2015-16 Session of the Legislature.”

The 2015-2016 legislative session dealt with various issues that impact the small business community throughout Wisconsin. NFIB spent significant resources fighting for legislation that, among other things, repealed the prevailing wage, reduced fraud in unemployment insurance and provided a funding mechanism for the tourism industry. Senator Van Wanggaard fought for small business owners in each and every one of these issues, and for that reason, he has been presented with the Guardian Award by NFIB/Wisconsin.

“It is not always easy to maintain the commitment and resolve necessary to fight for small businesses, but Senator Wanggaard is always up to the challenge. It is truly an honor to present the Senator with this much deserved award,” concluded Smith.

The Guardian of Small Business award is the most prestigious honor that NFIB bestows on legislators in recognition of their efforts to support small business issues.

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NFIB is the nation’s leading small business association, with offices in Washington, D.C. and all 50 state capitals. Founded in 1943 as a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization, NFIB gives small and independent business owners a voice in shaping the public policy issues that affect their business. NFIB’s powerful network of grassroots activists send their views directly to state and federal lawmakers through our unique member-only ballot, thus playing a critical role in supporting America’s free enterprise system. More information can be found at www.NFIB.com.