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Hesselbein Offers Adjournment Honors to Victims of Hate Crimes & Gun Violence

MADISON – Tuesday, the Wisconsin State Assembly met in regular session, and on the 15th order of business, legislators had the opportunity to make adjournment honors for individuals to be recorded in the Assembly Journal. Representative Dianne Hesselbein (D-Middleton) adjourned the legislative body in honor of the victims of the deadly hate crimes and gun violence in Atlanta, Georgia, and Boulder, Colorado.

“The horrific events that unfolded in Georgia are more senseless acts of violence and hate that took innocent lives. We must recognize the growing violence against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, and reach out to members of our community that are in pain. My heart is broken for the families that lost loved ones in the violence and for all that are impacted by these traumatic series of events,” stated Hesselbein.

Individuals from Atlanta entered into the Assembly Journal included the following:

Delaina Ashley Yaun, 33

Paul Andre Michels, 54

Xiaojie Tan, 49

Daoyou Feng, 44

Elcias Hernandez-Ortiz, 30, injured but survived

Hyun Jung Grant, 51

Soon Chung Park, 74

Suncha Kim, 69

Yong Ae Yue, 63

“The victims of another deadly Colorado mass shooting left behind family and friends that never had the chance to say goodbye to their loved one. We cannot allow this violence to continue in our nation without action. Each day we wait to do something about gun violence another unsuspecting community is struck by a vicious attack. People should be able to go to work, relax at a spa, or visit a supermarket without fear of being killed. My heart is broken again for those who lost their lives in this tragedy,” said Hesselbein.

Individuals from Boulder entered into the Assembly Journal included the following:

Police Officer Eric Talley, 51, who responded to the shooting

Tralona Bartkowiak, 49

Suzanne Fountain, 59

Teri Leiker, 51

Kevin Mahoney, 61

Lynn Murray, 62

Rikki Olds, 25

Neven Stanistic, 23

Denny Stong, 20

Jody Waters, 65

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