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Rep. Robyn Vining Applauds Governor Evers' Call for Special Session to Allow Voters to Introduce Constitutional Referendum

MADISON, WI – Today, Governor Tony Evers announced his intention to convene a special session of the legislature to allow the people of Wisconsin to put referenda on ballots and repeal the archaic, 1849 criminal abortion ban.

Rep. Robyn Vining (D-Wauwatosa) released the following statement:

"The Will of the People is the Law of the Land', that is the inscription on the ceiling of the Governor's conference room in the Wisconsin State Capitol. Beneath this inscription is where the Wisconsin governor often signs legislation into law, and this morning we stood together beneath this inscription to declare that after years of legislative Republicans obstructing the statewide will of the people, and in the wake of the overturning of Roe V. Wade, and as we live daily with the ominous reality of the now-reenacted 1849 criminal abortion ban, Governor Evers is calling on the Wisconsin legislature to come into session and restore voice to Wisconsin voters.

"Important topics close to the hearts of voters that could be on future ballots if this passes include fair maps, universal background checks, legalizing cannabis, medicaid expansion, and restoring comprehensive access to reproductive healthcare.

"I swore an oath to represent the will of the people I represent, and that is what we are doing here today. The Will of the People is the Law of the Land in Wisconsin—it is time to return the power to the people."

Rep. Vining represents the 14th Assembly District, which includes parts of Brookfield, Wauwatosa, and Milwaukee. For more information, visit Rep. Vining's website <u>here</u>.

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