

Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin: Condemns Republican power grab

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MADISON – Gov. Scott Walker signed several lame-duck bills on Friday, ending his tenure of governor much like it began – by placing politics ahead of the Wisconsin people.

Statement from Nicole Safar, Executive Director of Planned Parenthood Advocates of Wisconsin:

“In a final power grab before Gov.-elect Tony Evers and Attorney General-elect Josh Kaul take office, Republican legislators ignored Wisconsin voters’ clear preference for more health care and fairer representation in November. This cynical move strips power from the incoming administration, power that Governor Walker consolidated for himself when his party won elections. Taken together, these bills will make voting more difficult in future elections and override the decision voters made this November – to empower Tony Evers and Josh Kaul and the vision they offered our state.

“PPAWI will continue to mobilize Wisconsin voters, making sure no one forgets how Republican legislators passed these bills as last minute attempt to override the voters in our state. Voters decisively chose Tony Evers and Josh Kaul because their agenda was more health care and expanded opportunity for us all. While the governor-elect and attorney general-elect are focused on working for the people of

Wisconsin, Republicans' actions show that they are out of line with the majority values of our state, and they will stop at nothing to change the rules, ignore the people and make it harder for our new leaders to fight for us and the policies we voted for in November. PPAWI stands with the incoming administration and its efforts to expand health care, fight for fair elections and create healthy communities for us all."