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MADISON – Wisconsin Property Taxpayers, Inc. announced today that Rep. Don Vruwink (D-Milton) will be named a Property Taxpayer Champion for his work in the 2017-2018 legislative session.

“With thousands of farm members located in every corner of the state, our organization has been happy to work with Rep. Vruwink on issues impacting Wisconsin’s family farms and agriculture heritage. Since his inauguration in 2017, not only was he appointed to the Assembly Agriculture Committee, Rural Development Committee, and the important Dairy Task Force 2.0 but has been readily available to offer his input and expertise to our organization on a number of other rural issues,” said John Jacobson, WPT’s government and member relations director.

“Don has authored legislation that would provide property tax relief to elderly, low-income residents in rural areas, income tax relief to small businesses subjected to paying the outdated personal property tax, and authored legislation that would target property tax relief specifically to Wisconsin residents. We are extremely happy to name Don a Property Taxpayer Champion for 2018.”

In the 2017-2018 legislative session, Rep. Vruwink authored Assembly Bill 890, which created a \$500 individual income tax deduction for low income residents in rural Wisconsin. He also authored Assembly Bill 896, which would have granted an income tax credit to small businesses equal to the amount of their personal

property tax burden.

WPT thanks Rep. Vruwink for his efforts in the 2017-2018 session and looks forward to continuing to work together moving forward.