

# WisDems: Response to Speaker Paul Ryan's Retirement

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MADISON — The following is a statement from the Democratic Party of Wisconsin's Chair Martha Laning on news Speaker Paul Ryan has chosen to retire.  
"There are three patterns Republicans are following in this divisive, unAmerican age of Donald Trump — follow him, fight him or quit. Ryan is leaving, some Republicans on the national stage are willing to fight him while here in Wisconsin Scott Walker has chosen to follow the toxic GOP brand.

"His retirement is an admission by Speaker Ryan that his constituents do not approve of tax cuts for the rich at the expense of Medicaid, Medicare and Social Security. Ryan could not win over his constituents to his damaging tax plan, let alone the nation."