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The Wisconsin Paper Council Honors State Representative Katrina Shankland With Its “Legislator of the Year” Award

Madison – The Wisconsin Paper Council (WPC) has selected State Representative Katrina Shankland (D-Stevens Point) as the organization’s Legislator of the Year for 2019. The 51-year-old trade association presented Rep. Shankland with their Legislator of the Year Award at their 69th Annual Meeting held at Lambeau Field on June 20, 2019. Each year the WPC selects two Legislators, one from each house and each political party to receive these prestigious awards.

“Representative Shankland has been a strong supporter of our organization and our industry,” stated Craig Timm, Chairman of the WPC Board of Directors. “Katrina’s tireless efforts in support of the UWSP Paper Science and Chemical Engineering Program – an important department which produces world-class papermaking engineers - is remarkable. Rep. Shankland is also a leader in the bipartisan Wisconsin Paper Caucus which works to inform and educate legislators and the public about the importance of papermaking, forestry and printing to our great state. We thank her for her leadership.”

Representative Shankland was honored for her strong involvement and continued support for Wisconsin’s pulp, paper and forestry industries. The lawmaker has been a strong advocate for the Paper Science and Chemical Engineering Program at UWSP, an outspoken proponent for the Wisconsin Institute for Sustainable Technology, and is one of the key leaders of the bipartisan Wisconsin Paper Caucus.

“I am very humbled and honored to have received this award,” said Representative Shankland. “I’m proud to be part of the Wisconsin Paper Council’s resurgence and very pleased to have been selected to play a leadership role in the Wisconsin Paper Caucus. Papermaking is an incredibly important industry here in Wisconsin. Working together in a bipartisan fashion, we can make this important sector of our economy even stronger.”



WPC President Scott Suder is shown here presenting State Representative Shankland with the WPC 2019 "Legislator of the Year" award at the recent gathering of papermakers at Lambeau Field in Green Bay.

WPC advocates for and represents the state's pulp and papermaking industry. Wisconsin is the #1 papermaking state in the United States and its members provide family supporting jobs for over 35,000 employees throughout Wisconsin. Papermakers are dedicated to providing good family supporting jobs as well as being environmentally responsible community partners.

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