

WMC: Statement on former Gov. Tommy Thompson's appointment as interim UW-System president

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MADISON - The University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents announced on Friday that former Governor Tommy Thompson has agreed to serve as UW System Interim President effective July 1.

The UW System's release said, "Thompson is a well-known champion of Wisconsin's public universities, and he has called for a renewal of the Wisconsin Idea, the principle that the UW System serves all parts of the state. He is the state's only four-term governor and his bipartisan policy proposals have had a lasting impact on the state."

Following the announcement, Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce (WMC) President & CEO Kurt Bauer released the below statement:

"WMC and the business community applaud Gov. Thompson's selection as interim UW System President. His service to Wisconsin is unmatched, and his leadership will be crucial in this unprecedented time. We look forward to continuing our great relationship with the state's public universities and once again working in partnership with Gov. Thompson."