

Milwaukee Public Museum: Applauds Gov. Evers proposed funding of new museum in budget

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MILWAUKEE – The following statement was issued today by Milwaukee Public Museum President & CEO Dr. Ellen Censky:

The inclusion of \$40 million in the State of Wisconsin's proposed Capital Budget is an incredibly important milestone in securing the future of the Milwaukee Public Museum, the state's most visited museum. Support from the State will ensure that the more than 4 million objects and specimens in our care, which come from every county in the State, will continue to be enjoyed and studied by Wisconsinites for generations to come.

We want to thank Governor Tony Evers for his recognition of the importance of this statewide institution to Wisconsin's past and its future. The museum serves visitors from every county in Wisconsin and almost every state in the country, including hosting school children from 44 of Wisconsin's 72 counties for annual field trips.

This is the first of several milestones in the Capital Budget process, and we look forward to working with Governor Evers and the State Legislature to ensure the project remains in the budget, as every culture and corner of our state is reflected in the new museum.

We believe pursuing bonded funds in the State's Capital Budget is a smart, financially prudent way to plan for the future of this treasured Wisconsin institution and leverages the support of the private sector, which will fund a majority of the project's cost.