

Rep. Hintz: To step down as Assembly Democratic Leader

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MADISON — Today, Representative Gordon Hintz (D-Oshkosh) released the following statement regarding his decision to step down as Assembly Democratic Leader effective January 10, 2022.

“Today, I am announcing my intention to step down as Assembly Democratic Leader effective January 10, 2022. After choosing to seek another term in 2020, I was committed to serving as Assembly Democratic Leader through the 2021 state budget process and redistricting. I have been humbled and honored to lead the Assembly Democrats for the past four-plus years, but I want to have more time for my district and my family, which includes two children under the age of five.

“As I reflect upon the past four years, I am immensely proud of Assembly Democrats’ accomplishments, and our impact across Wisconsin. We have been innovative and effective in articulating our message. We led the successful effort to hold Governor Walker accountable for the Foxconn debacle, unaccountable tax giveaways, and record debt borrowing to pay for our roads - leading to his defeat in 2018. We have upheld Governor Evers’ vetoes on every single attempt. We have continuously fought back against extreme efforts by Republicans to divide our state and to undermine our democracy. And in the last two election cycles, Assembly Democrats have picked up seats and returned every single incumbent, despite the most gerrymandered maps in American history.

“Most importantly, I have even more confidence and optimism about the future of the Assembly Democrats than when I stepped into this role four

years ago. I'm grateful to the leadership team that I served with, and look forward to the many talented newer members ready to step up. I know that our next Leader will bring their own unique perspective and ideas as they build upon the strong foundation we have today. I look forward to continuing to serve alongside my Democratic colleagues in the Assembly as we work to charter a brighter course for the people of Wisconsin."