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MADISON – Yesterday, Governor Evers issued an executive order calling the legislature into a special session today, July 27th, related to education funding. The special session would be on two bills that would allocate \$550 million to K-12 education and higher education in Wisconsin. Republicans in the Assembly gaveled in and out of the special session without taking action on Governor Evers' proposals. State Representative Robyn Vining (D-Wauwatosa) issued the following statement in response:

“When Governor Evers’ signed the budget and issued partial vetoes, he stated that this budget isn’t good enough for our kids, and Republicans could and should have done more, and that while they might be fine forcing Wisconsinites across the state to go to referenda just to support their public schools, he is not. Today, the Legislature had the opportunity to do more – by using the \$550 million in the state’s general fund, thanks to Governor Evers’ partial veto action, to properly invest in our

schools through per pupil funding and special education aid in our K-12 schools, and funding for our UW system and tech colleges.

“After watching Republicans fail to sufficiently fund our schools, we have before us an opportunity to try again. I am disappointed that my Republican colleagues have turned away this opportunity today by gaveling in and out of the special session, but I am not ready to give up. I’m ready to continue to work on what’s best for our kids and our state. Forward together.”