

# McGrath campaign: Statement by Deb Baldus McGrath on Ron Kind's vote against the Active Shooter Alert Act

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**Menomonie, WI**—Today, Deb Baldus McGrath, candidate for Congress in Wisconsin's Third Congressional district, released the below statement on Congressman Ron Kind's vote opposing the Active Shooter Alert Act:

"Yesterday, the Active Shooter Alert Act, creating an Amber Alert for active shooter events, passed the U.S. House. 43 Republicans bucked their leadership and voted yes for this commonsense legislation. Only one Democrat voted no - our Democratic Congressman Ron Kind.

I am deeply disappointed that Congressman Kind voted against a measure that would alert parents in the event of a school shooting or communities to a threat in a public place. If there is anything we have learned from the tragedies that confront our country almost weekly, it's that families deserve to know when their loved ones are in peril. Just last week, a gunman slaughtered seven on the Fourth of July in Highland Park—and he almost brought that violence to Madison.

I served 25 years in the Army and CIA in our toughest war zones and hardship places. I know the chaos and destruction a weapon in the hands of an active shooter brings, and the importance of clear communication systems to alert people of risk. This legislation could save lives.

Wisconsin deserves a representative who will speak boldly and with experience to protect our communities and our kids. For too long DC politicians have stood in

silence, afraid to take a stand for what is right out of fear of losing elections.

When I served in combat zones, the thought of creating a safer world for my kids and my grandkids sustained me—and I think of them now. I will take immediate action to protect our communities. If elected I will be a strong voice in support of passing the Active Shooter Alert Act, banning ghost guns, and instating violent history checks.”

**\*\*\*\* Deb Baldus McGrath will be holding media availability with local leaders on this topic tomorrow at 8:30am in La Crosse at Riverside Park.**

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