

Opportunity Wisconsin: Baldwin passes historic bill protecting Wisconsin families

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MADISON, Wis.—Today the U.S. Senate, led by Senator Tammy Baldwin, passed the bipartisan Respect for Marriage Act, bringing the historic bill one step closer to becoming law. The bill guarantees basic rights and freedoms for same-sex and interracial couples. Despite overwhelming support for the bill among Wisconsinites and bipartisan backing from Republicans in Congress, Senator Ron Johnson today voted against the commonsense measure.

Meghan Roh, Opportunity Wisconsin Program Director:

“Wisconsin families are incredibly lucky to have an elected leader like Senator Tammy Baldwin fighting for their basic freedoms and rights. The bipartisan Respect for Marriage Act gives those in same-sex and interracial marriages the peace of mind and respect they deserve. Once again, Senator Ron Johnson continues to put politics over the people of Wisconsin, voting against a bill that has seen broad, bipartisan support in Congress and across Wisconsin. When will Senator Johnson start doing his job and stop playing politics with our lives?”