

WisDems: Blast Republican party's radical candidates for governor

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MADISON, Wis. - Today, outside of the Republican Party of Wisconsin's state convention, Wisconsin Democrats called out the impact that the radical and divisive Republican politicians running for governor will have on Wisconsinites. The Republican candidates for governor have all embraced the extremism that divides our state and creates chaos within their own party.

Under pressure to stand out in a crowded primary, Rebecca Kleefisch, Kevin Nicholson, Tim Ramthun, and Tim Michels have made the Republican primary a race to the bottom.

WisDems launched wisgop.com to highlight the division comments from all four candidates.

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Chair Ben Wikler: "The Republican Party of Wisconsin has brought its dumpster fire of a convention to Middleton, where Republicans are at each other's throats, trying to figure out who can be most extreme at their efforts to dismantle democracy in Wisconsin and take extreme positions that threaten the freedom and the rights of Wisconsinites."

State Representative Dianne Hesselbein: "When you have candidates running who are only concerned about pandering to the extremes, you have to wonder who they are really working for. Are they working for you or are they hoping to appeal to the ultra-MAGA wing of the party only?"

Supervisor April Kigeya: "Wisconsin is stronger and better because of Governor Evers. Our state has had record low unemployment for the past two months. He's

restored our state's commitment to education funding and invested record amounts in special education, he's repaired more than 1,700 miles of road - that's enough to get from Middleton to Atlanta and back - and he's helped open and expand thousands of small businesses across every single county, including some right here in Middleton."

State Senator Kelda Roys: "The candidates for governor are just as extreme. Let's just talk about one issue on the minds of at least two-thirds of Wisconsinites who feel they want it to remain legal: that's access to abortion. These Republicans are not going to stop if one of them is elected governor [by] just enforcing a 1849 law making abortion a crime. In fact they want to see complete restrictions on a wide array of reproductive health care access."