

WisDems: Michels dismisses January 6th insurrection as “frustration”

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MADISON, Wis. – Speaking to [WKOW](#), Tim Michels refused to condemn the violence of the January 6th insurrection saying “there was clearly a lot of people that showed up with the original intent of hearing what President Trump had to say,” adding that there was “frustration over the election results.”

This comes on the heels of Republican conspiracy theorist and candidate for governor Tim Ramthun [falsely referring](#) to the January 6th insurrection as a “Democrat-orchestrated riot” and said that congressional leaders wanted to create a “deflection” on January 6th in order to prevent objections to seven states’ electoral votes.

If Michels does not believe the January 6th insurrection was a violent riot, does he agree with Tim Ramthun’s conspiracy theories?

Has Tim Michels discussed the January 6th insurrection with Donald Trump during their multiple conversations about his endorsement in the race?

“Rather than standing up for democracy and the rule of law, Republican politicians, including Tim Michels, refuse to admit that the deadly January 6th insurrection was a violent riot encouraged by Donald Trump,” said **Democratic Party of Wisconsin Rapid Response Director Hannah Menchhoff**. “As the Trump-endorsed candidate, it’s no surprise that Michels is on the extremes of this issue and if elected, will continue to pull communities apart over Trump’s lies.”