

# Rep. Baldeh: Reaction to State of the State

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MADISON - In reaction to Governor Tony Evers' State of the State Address this evening, State Rep. Samba Baldeh (D-Madison) released the following statement:

"Tonight, we heard Governor Tony Evers clearly lay out just how far we as a state have come in the last four years. Before Gov. Evers' first election, Wisconsin's schools were falling behind, our roads and bridges were falling apart, and people who wanted to work were falling through the cracks.

But today, Wisconsin has made huge strides in all of these areas: after Gov. Evers' historic investments in schools, our public schools are back in the top ten in the country; after Gov. Evers' investments in infrastructure, thousands of miles of roads and bridges across our state have been repaired and improved; and after key investments in broadband, workforce development, and small businesses, Wisconsin's economy is roaring, we are experiencing record low unemployment rates, and our state surplus is the largest it has ever been. Despite all of the challenges of the last four years, Gov. Evers has delivered for our communities, and Wisconsin is surging because of it.

But that doesn't mean that there isn't still work to be done. Gov. Evers made it clear tonight that while we've come a long way in the last four years, there's still more to do to improve the lives of Wisconsinites across the state. Luckily, Gov. Evers has a plan to move Wisconsin forward, together.

By listening to people across Wisconsin, Gov. Evers understands that we need to use this opportunity to make strong investments in our future, in infrastructure, childcare, education, clean energy, clean water and PFAS abatement, job creation, our communities, and in the middle class - all while providing sustainable tax relief

for the folks who need it most.

We've come a long way in the last four years, and I can't wait to see what we can do in the next four, together."