

Sen. Spreitzer: Joins Gov. Evers to announce \$15 million state investment in Janesville sports and convention center

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JANESVILLE – Today, State Senator Mark Spreitzer (D-Beloit) joined Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers, State Representative Sue Conley (D-Janesville), and local leaders to announce that the Governor’s 2023-2025 Capital Budget includes a \$15 million investment to support the Woodman’s Sports and Convention Center project in Janesville.

“I am proud to join Governor Evers today to announce this transformational investment in Janesville’s future,” said Senator Spreitzer. “This \$15 million investment is critical to completing the Woodman’s Sports and Convention Center project, a central piece of the redevelopment of Uptown Janesville and the whole Milton Avenue corridor. From hosting conventions and events to bringing young athletes and their families to Janesville, this facility will help Janesville and Rock County continue to be a leading destination in the region and promote economic growth.”

“I also thank Governor Evers and his team for repeatedly engaging with community stakeholders to hear about this project and for understanding how investing in this redevelopment project will help the Janesville community thrive. I am grateful that we worked together to include this project in the Governor’s Capital Budget proposal,” said Sen. Spreitzer.

The Woodman’s Sports and Convention Center will redevelop space at Uptown Janesville at 2500 Milton Avenue. The \$15 million investment from the State of

Wisconsin in the Capital Budget will be used along with private fundraising, federal grants, and local funding to build a versatile facility that will host conventions, community events, sports competitions, and more.

The projects in the Governor's Capital Budget proposal must be approved by the State Building Commission, the Wisconsin Legislature's Joint Committee on Finance, and then the full legislature as a part of the 2023-2025 State Budget.

"I look forward to working with my colleagues over the next few months to ensure this funding is included in the final state budget," said Sen. Spreitzer.