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Evers Extends Lifeline to Killers, Robbers, Drug Dealers as He Leaves Office

MADISON – Senator Eric Wimberger (R-Gillett) released the following statement after Governor Tony Evers commuted the sentences of more than a dozen criminals referred to him by his Commutation Advisory Board:

"Governor Evers didn't commute the sentences of those convicted of lesser crimes with unfairly punitive sentences. Instead, he is releasing 10 murderers, a burglar, an arsonist, and a drug dealer – who all deserve their punishments.

Democrats call this 'criminal justice reform.' I call it putting our communities in physical danger. As Democrats prepare to take control of state government in January, this is only a preview of the soft-on-crime policies that will continue to put hardened criminals back on the streets across Wisconsin."

On top of issuing more than 2,400 pardons – the most of any governor in Wisconsin state history – Governor Evers is also the first to grant a commutation since 1995. Many of the dozens of candidates considered by the Governor's Commutations Advisory Board were convicted of murder, homicide, armed robbery, arson, and the sale and possession of hard drugs.

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State Senator Eric Wimberger is an attorney, small business owner, and former Marine Captain. He serves as a member of the Joint Committee on Finance and Co-Chair of the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. He represents the 2nd Senate District, including parts of Brown, Menominee, Oconto, Outagamie, Shawano, and Waupaca Counties.

A media kit for Senator Wimberger can be found here.