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**STATEMENT BY SHEET METAL WORKERS UNION #18 PRESIDENT/
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Tonight Governor Tony Evers proposed a budget for all working men and women in Wisconsin.

Sheet Metal Local 18 commends Governor Evers for proposing an executive budget that protects Wisconsin workers, invests in our infrastructure and education system, and puts an end to the partisan redistricting that plagues the state.

The last eight years have seen far too many attacks on Wisconsin workers at the behest of out-of-state interests. Today, Governor Evers turned the tide by outlining priorities that benefit the taxpaying citizens of Wisconsin and puts Wisconsin first.

We applaud Governor Evers budget priorities that will help Wisconsin return to its historic home of the best trained, most skilled, and most efficient workers in the country. Protecting Wisconsin jobs through prevailing wage laws and repealing attacks on unions like so-called "right to work" will benefit the entire state by fostering more Wisconsin jobs, improving Wisconsin wages, expanding worker training, and protecting taxpayers by ensuring the most skilled and efficient workers are on taxpayer funded jobs.

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