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## **Rep. Hesselbein Welcomes Tribal Leaders to State Capitol**

*Celebrating the 15th Annual State of the Tribes Address*

MADISON – Representative Dianne Hesselbein (D - Middleton) participated in the 15th annual State of the Tribes Address today at the Wisconsin State Capitol. The Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council selected Oneida Nation Chairman Tehassi Hill to deliver this year’s address. The address strives to improve communication between the state government and Wisconsin’s sovereign tribal nations. Representative Hesselbein released the following statement celebrating the address:

“The State of the Tribes Address is a long standing tradition to celebrate the working relationship between our state government and the eleven sovereign tribal nations in Wisconsin. This address is not only an opportunity for state lawmakers to hear about the concerns and successes in Indian Country, but to reinforce the government-to-government relationship between Wisconsin’s tribes and state government. It is uplifting to honor the shared values of our state and our tribal nations as we consider the issues that face all of us as a community. When we are able to openly communicate and share a dialogue with other sovereign nations we can continue to move forward to create a better Wisconsin for everyone.”

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