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Rep. Macco Disappointed Gov. Evers Partially Vetoes 2019-2021 Budget

Green Bay...Last week, Governor Tony Evers signed the 2019-2021 budget. State Representative John Macco (R-Ledgeview) released the following statement:

"In my work as the chairman of the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means, it was crucial to lower the tax burden on hard-working Wisconsinites. That's why the legislature passed a bill cutting taxes for middle-income families. It was unfortunate that the Governor vetoed that bill. However, I am pleased that the Governor finally came around on this issue and agreed to support a tax cut for middle-income Wisconsinites included in the budget he signed," said Rep. Macco.

"Ensuring that our children stay in school and receive a good quality education is important to me. That is why I requested funding in the budget bill to expand Green Bay's extremely successful Boys and Girls Clubs' BE GREAT: Graduate program statewide. This program, which started at the Greater Boys and Girls Club in Green Bay, mentors at-risk students and helps them to stay in school and graduate," stated Rep. Macco.

"The greater Green Bay area is the third largest metropolitan area in the state and, yet, with his broad line-item veto authority, Governor Evers removed many provisions in the bill that would have made improvements to the lives of northeast Wisconsinites from all walks of life. I am particularly disappointed that he vetoed the Interstate 41 interchange in De Pere at Southbridge Road. Building this much-needed bridge has been and continues to be a top priority for me. I have attended countless meetings on this issue over the last five years and, regardless of the Governor's action, I will continue to forge ahead to make this project a reality." continued Rep. Macco.

"The Governor's vetoes will have a severe impact on the continued fine work of Brown County District Attorney David Lasee and his team. The governor left in the provision

for additional help, but specifically vetoed that the help go to Brown County,” stated Rep. Macco.

“As one of two campuses in the UW-System that has experienced increasing student enrollment over the last four years, the Governor has turned his back in the budget on providing planning funds to renovate UW – Green Bay’s aging buildings. Furthermore, I am concerned about the partial veto of funding for a new maximum correctional facility to replace the very dangerous and outdated maximum security Green Bay Correctional Institution,” said Rep. Macco.

“Despite his partial vetoes, I remain committed to working with the Governor and his Administration on the best way to move the Green Bay area – and Wisconsin – forward,” concluded Rep. Macco.

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