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Special Session on Gun Violence is a Chance to Work Together

Legislation to address Gun Violence is backed by 80 percent of Wisconsinites

MADISON – Today Governor Tony Evers called a Special Session of the Legislature to address Extreme Risk Protection Orders (ERPO) and Universal Background Checks legislation. The Governor's Executive Order marks the start of the November 7th Special Session. Assembly Assistant Democratic Leader Dianne Hesselbein (D-Middleton) made the following statement in support of the Governor's leadership:

"We have an opportunity to enact common-sense gun safety legislation the people of Wisconsin deserve and want. I commend the Governor on his call to action and I stand ready to work with Republicans to pass this meaningful legislation. Inaction cannot continue in the face of gun violence. Parents should not fear their children going to school and not coming home; people should be able to practice their faith without fear of being gunned down where they worship; everyone should be safe in their workplace or local stores without fear of violence. We must do the right thing for communities across Wisconsin. I call on my Republican colleagues to work with us and act on gun safety during this Special Session."

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