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## **Senator André Jacque Awarded 2019-'20 Legislator of the Year by Wisconsin VFW**

(Madison, WI) Over the weekend Senator André Jacque (R- De Pere) received the Legislator of the Year Award for the 2019-'20 legislative session from the Wisconsin Department of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Senator Jacque accepted the award in Wisconsin Rapids at the VFW's 2020-'21 Program Kickoff and Council of Administration meetings.

"It's a tremendous honor to be recognized by a group I hold close to my heart. I am grateful for the sacrifice our veterans have made for our great country and their countless contributions to our communities, and I am proud to have an opportunity in the legislature to help ensure Wisconsin remembers that sacrifice," Senator Jacque said.

The award was presented to Jacque after he worked closely with the VFW to introduce numerous pieces of legislation directly impacting Wisconsin's heroes, playing a critical role this session in extending the veteran's outreach and recovery program bill, passing military veteran and spouse licensure reform. Senator Jacque is the lead author of the VFW's top legislative priority (2019 Senate Bill 116) to re-invigorate the disabled veteran and surviving spouse property tax credit, and previously authored laws to create tax exempt status parity between veterans service organizations and other charitable organizations, and expand sporting heritage opportunities for disabled veterans.

"The above and beyond effort that Senator Jacque puts forth on behalf of Wisconsin's veterans is something the VFW of Wisconsin is proud to recognize," says State Commander Jason Johns. "He and his staff take the time to discuss legislation with the VFW in order gather our input and assure it is the best it can be for veterans. The VFW of Wisconsin stands ready to work with Senator Jacque and all legislators in crafting legislation that meets the pertinent and relevant needs of veterans," Johns added.

*Senator André Jacque represents Northeast Wisconsin's First Senate District, consisting of Door and Kewaunee Counties and portions of Brown, Calumet, Manitowoc, and Outagamie counties.*

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