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Majority Leader Steineke Responds to Kenosha Shooting

MADISON – Following yesterday's officer-involved shooting involving Jacob Blake, Assembly Majority Leader Jim Steineke (R-Kaukauna) offered the following statement:

"By now, we've all heard what happened yesterday in Kenosha. What we must now do is await further details and see the Department of Justice-lead investigation of this shooting through to its conclusion without racing towards judgment.

"Any protests that occur must be peaceful. Violence begets violence and does nothing to further any cause. While the wheels of justice turn slowly, justice itself is what everyone deserves and cannot be prejudged or predetermined.

"I encourage elected officials to resist the temptation to rush to judgment as well. The frustration and anger that many in our communities are feeling must be met with empathy, but cannot be further fueled by politicians' statements or actions that can stoke flames of violence.

"What we can and should do is encourage, emphatically, peace in our communities and a fair and just investigation that answers the questions we all have. I hope you'll all join me in praying for all of those involved."

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