

91st ASSEMBLY DISTRICT



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Assembly Republicans Press Pause on Unconscionable Assault on Public Health

MADISON – The Assembly on Thursday did not take up a scheduled <u>resolution</u> that would end Governor Evers' public health emergency declaration and indoor mask order after concerns that repealing it would jeopardize federal funding. Representative Jodi Emerson (D-Eau Claire) issued the following statement in response.

"Today, Wisconsinites saw what happens when public policy is motivated by politics instead of science. Legislative Republicans were so eager to spite Governor Evers and strike down a lifesaving health measure that they failed to do their homework on the fiscal implications of their plan. Republicans' reckless, unconscionable push to repeal the Governor's emergency declaration not only endangers lives – it would also cost Wisconsin \$49 million per month in funding for food assistance. Thankfully, Assembly Republicans have postponed a vote on their outrageous resolution.

I am grateful to the 422 people that called and emailed my office this past week, 406 of whom supported the mask order. Public health, science and the will of the people have prevailed for today. I call on Republicans to do their jobs, stop exacerbating this crisis, and permanently shelf this ridiculous repeal plan."

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