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SEN. JEFF SMITH’S STATEMENT ON REPRESENTATIVE BARBARA GRONEMUS’ PASSING

MADISON – Senator Jeff Smith (D – Brunswick) released the following statement in response to the passing of former State Representative Barbara Gronemus:

“I’m saddened to hear of the passing of former State Representative Barbara “Bobby” Gronemus. She was undeniably proud to represent western Wisconsin throughout her twenty-six years serving in the State Legislature.

“In the years I worked with Bobby, I valued our camaraderie, but more importantly, our friendship. When I joined the State Assembly, I quickly recognized Bobby as a role model and learned a lot from her about what it means to serve our state. I’ll never forget Bobby’s tenacious energy, respect for others and commitment to represent the 91st Assembly District.

“I share my condolences to her loved ones. She exemplified kindness and goodwill in all that she did; I hope her legacy is one that many of us can look up to and replicate to make our world a better place.”

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The 31st Senate District includes all of Buffalo and Pepin counties and portions of Trempealeau, Pierce, Dunn, Eau Claire and Jackson counties and very small portions of Chippewa and St. Croix counties.