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We Must Defend the Constitution for Future Generations

Madison... Today, Representative John Macco (R-Ledgeview) and his colleagues in the Assembly passed Senate Joint Resolution 3, which ended the unlawful State of Emergency declared by the Evers Administration.

"The Governor must observe our Constitution at all times," said Rep. Macco. "Just as we cannot pass legislation into law without the Governor's signature, Governor Evers cannot extend his own emergency powers without approval by the Legislature. We may not like it, but these checks and balances are central to our Republic. We must not toss them aside for the sake of political expediency."

The original State of Emergency declared by the Evers Administration was on March 12, 2020 which would have been allowed to continue for up to 60 days without engaging the Legislature. The Evers Administration has unlawfully extended the State of Emergency multiple times, without submitting a rule proposal to the Legislature.

"This is a return to what the founders intended," said Rep. Macco. "It can sometimes be inefficient and slower than we would like, but the processes outlined in our state and federal constitutions exist for good reason. I look forward to working with Governor in a lawful, constitutionally consistent process."

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