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Rep. Plumer Statement on Gov. Evers' Budget Proposal

MADISON, WI – Rep. Plumer (R – Lodi) released the following statement on Governor Evers' budget address from last night:

"Governor Evers has fulfilled his statutorily required duty to deliver a budget proposal to the legislature. It is now the job of the legislature to take this proposal and develop in into a budget that will benefit all Wisconsinites. In the weeks moving ahead, I look forward to hearing from my constituents about their priorities for the next state budget.

"Priorities of mine in the upcoming budget include expanding access to rural broadband and increasing funding for roads. I agree with the governor that we should increase in funding for broadband expansion. Last budget, the legislature allocated nearly \$50 million for broadband grants and I would support additional investments in this budget. Additionally, I support increasing aids for local roads and maintaining our state highway system. The 2019 budget was the second budget in a row that included significant increases for local roads and I hope we continue that trend. I hope that these two important issues are just the start of where we can find common ground while crafting this budget."

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