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Statement on Governor Evers' Budget Address

Madison – Today, Rep. Amy Loudenbeck (R-Clinton) released the following statement following Governor Evers' Budget Address.

"Governor Evers struck a moderate tone in his remote budget address, but when you look at the documents and add up all the spending the result is a very costly partisan wish list that is unaffordable, unsustainable, and irresponsible.

"I find it puzzling that after the Legislature rejected all of the Governor's extreme policy proposals in his last proposed biennial spending plan, Governor Evers would direct his budget shop and cabinet to spend countless months assembling a budget that the Legislature will once again have to unravel and rewrite.

"As a member of the Joint Finance Committee I will have an opportunity to evaluate each individual element of the budget and consider it on its own merits, as well as in comparison with all of the other priorities that must be funded over the course of the next two years.

"It is worth noting that after eight years of responsible budgeting Wisconsin has eliminated the GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) deficit which peaked at nearly \$3 billion in 2010-11. Over this same time period we have set aside the largest Rainy Day Fund in state history.

"Now is not the time to make drastic changes in spending or policy, but to instead stay the course, continue to spend wisely, and make targeted investments to help the industries and individuals that have been hit hardest by COVID, while continuing to adequately fund our priorities.

"I look forward to working with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to find areas of agreement and show Wisconsin we can work together and live up to our reputation of being a wonderful place to live, work, and visit."

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