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We Have a Government of Laws, Not a Dictatorship

Madison – Representative Barbara Dittrich (*R – Oconomowoc*) issued the following statement on Wednesday in response to the Wisconsin Supreme Court’s ruling in *Fabick v Evers*:

“Wednesday, the Wisconsin Supreme Court confirmed what I have been saying all along. Turning back the Governor’s overreach has never been about masks! Governor Evers exceeded his powers in issuing consecutive Executive Orders for the same, ongoing issue, the COVID-19 pandemic after 60 days without consulting the Legislature. Governor Evers’ actions went far beyond his constitutional authority in his repeated, dictatorial manner.

“When the Legislature overturned Executive Order #104 in February 2021, Governor Evers issued virtually the same order, Executive Order # 105 within minutes under the guise of protecting federal funding for the Wisconsin FoodShares Program. Yet, when given the opportunity to pass a bill that would allow the State of Wisconsin to accept the federal FoodShare dollars without a mask mandate being in place, the Governor vetoed the bill. Not only has the Governor proven time and again that he believes he knows better than you do about your personal health decisions, he has taken unconstitutional authority to accomplish his own agenda.

“In an opinion written by Justice Brian Hagedorn, the Supreme Court’s decision affirms that a governor cannot and must not rule by fiat, lest they usurp the role of a co-equal branch of government. This important ruling will assure that no governor, present or future, can rule unilaterally, without accountability to the rule of law.

“To quote Justice Bradley, ‘While a pandemic will not follow the laws of man, the Governor must!’”

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