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Statement on Wisconsin Supreme Court Decision

MADISON, WI – Senator Jon Erpenbach (D-West Point) released the following statement after the Wisconsin Supreme Court blocked Governor Evers' lifesaving pandemic measures.

"There are two things this pandemic has taught us, masks work and Republicans don't. While Governor Evers has worked diligently to protect the health and wellbeing of our communities, Republicans refused to do their job and undermined the Governor's efforts every step of the way as thousands of Wisconsinites lost their lives to this virus. This Republican backed lawsuit has shown that Republicans will go to any length in their vendetta against the Governor even if it comes at the cost of human life.

"We have been in this pandemic for over a year now, and while the vaccination efforts provide a light at the end of the tunnel, we cannot trip at the finish line. The Centers for Disease Control has even <u>stated</u> that it is critical to continue safety measures such as face coverings, social distancing and getting vaccinated as we work closer towards herd immunity. We are so close to beating this and we cannot jeopardize the progress we have worked so hard for. Mask up and get vaccinated, Wisconsin."

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