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Rep. Shelton Statement on Green Bay's Administration of the November 2020 Election

Green Bay, WI – Wisconsin's Republican leaders continue to attempt to undermine our democracy by blatantly encouraging misinformation.

The "report" cited by Senator Roth was produced by the Empower Wisconsin Foundation, an extreme right wing organization run by former Republican Assembly Representative Adam Jarchow. This fake document claims that Green Bay's election officials interfered with ballots -- a dangerous and insulting assertion made without evidence.

Representative Kristina Shelton (State Assembly District 90) issued the following statement:

"The administration of the November Election by the City of Green Bay was seamless. Election officials, including the Mayor and his staff, should be commended by legislators for their commitment to democracy. Despite daunting challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of Green Bay ensured voters could participate in a free and fair election without risking their health.

Senator Roth is scapegoating Green Bay in a futile attempt to cast doubt on a fair and legitimate election. I am disappointed that my colleagues in the Republican caucus would be so blatantly dishonest. As Wisconsin works to bounce back from the COVID-19 pandemic, state and local elected officials should focus their time and energy helping working families, small businesses, schools, and community groups to recover from months of economic despair. Sen. Roth would do well to serve those in his own district rather than questioning the integrity of locally-elected officials in another city.

The residents of Green Bay value honesty, transparency, and democracy. Mayor Genrich, Clerk Jeffries, City of Green Bay staff, volunteers, and election officials stepped up to every challenge. We should be thanking them, not spreading lies and questioning their integrity."

Representative Lee Snodgrass (State Assembly District 57) issued the following statement:

"I am disappointed and embarrassed that my State Senator is using his official social media page to promote right-wing propaganda as a news source in an attempt to discredit Green Bay's election integrity. A partisan blog is not a reputable news source nor are their claims a "report" or "evidence". Senator Roth is joining a nationwide effort to cast doubt on the integrity of our elections because he knows the policy ideals of his party are unpopular with the majority of Americans and when people vote, Republicans lose."

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