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Tom and Christine Otte to be Recognized as 'Hometown Heroes'

MADISON – The Wisconsin State Assembly will recognize Tom and Christine Otte from the City of Fond du Lac on January 25th at the Assembly Floor Session.

State Representative Jeremy Thiesfeldt (R-Fond du Lac) of the 52nd Assembly District has nominated Tom and Christine Otte for their work in founding the local <u>Sleep in</u> <u>Heavenly Peace</u> chapter in the City of Fond du Lac. This group, made-up of volunteers, is dedicated to building, assembling, and delivering beds and bunk beds to children in need. Representative Thiesfeldt has stated the following:

"The Sleep in Heavenly Peace – Fond du Lac chapter is making a lasting impact in the 52nd District for children and families. No child should be left sleeping on the floor and Sleep in Heavenly Peace is lifting these children up for a healthier and comfortable sleep, one bed at a time. Thank you to the countless volunteers for participating in this organization either with financial, administrative, or physical support. Your dedication to this organization shall not go unnoticed."

Sleep in Heavenly Peace was established in 2012 and has grown to nearly 300 chapters. As of today, there are a total of 17 chapters in Wisconsin. The Fond du Lac chapter has begun training and assisting new chapters to help expand this mission across Wisconsin. The group provides free beds, sheets, pillow cases, and blankets to children at zero cost to the families.

Award winners are invited to the State Capitol and given an opportunity to speak on the Assembly Floor as a special guest. Tom and Christine Otte names will be permanently placed in the Assembly record and will join countless others who have selflessly worked to make their communities a better place.

Feel free to watch the award ceremony during the Assembly Floor Session on <u>WisconsinEye</u> at 1:00 pm on January 25th, 2022.

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