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Rep. Wichgers Statement on the Progress Pride Flag

Madison, WI – State Representative Chuck Wichgers (R-Muskego) released the following statement after the governor's press conference yesterday.

"Governor Evers expressed his support for the views of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual, and queer (LGBTQ+) community by issuing an executive order to fly the Progress Pride flag over the State Capitol during the month of June.

"The governor could have put out a press release expressing his support for the views of the LGBTQ community and exercised his right to do so. Instead, he has chosen to raise a flag symbolizing a unity of belief and dedication among all Wisconsinites that does not exist. Share your views, Governor, but don't force them on all of us!

"Many people in our great state do not accept some tenets that the Progress Pride flag represents, nor will they ever, based on the fact of their closely held religious views.

"Our state is united behind our national flag and our state flag that fly proudly atop our Capitol. We also fly the POW-MIA flag to remember the soldiers who have been lost or given their lives for our shared democratic values. These flags unite us, and all Wisconsinites can take pride in what they represent. We have a shared message that we are 'one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

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The 83rd Assembly District includes Muskego, Waterford, Big Bend, Vernon, Village of Waukesha, East Troy, Franklin, and Hales Corners.