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STATEMENT ON RETIREMENT OF SPEAKER ROBIN VOS

“Robin has been one of my best friends for 25 years. When I was at one of my lowest points following the on-duty accident that ended my law enforcement career, Robin was one of the handful of people who picked me up and put me on the path to elected service. For that, I am eternally grateful.

“I love Robin like a brother. Sometimes, I just want to slap him, and sometimes give him a hug. And I know he feels the same about me. We didn’t always agree, but we always were able to hear each other out and generally find common ground. He understands that it’s okay to disagree, and not take it personally. Whether he fought with the governor (and he fought with Governors Walker and Doyle, too), President Trump, Democrats or Republicans he fought with passion, vigor and always fairly and he did it for Wisconsin.

I have spent most of the last 25 years serving alongside Robin in public service. His guidance and mentorship on the County Board and in the Legislature helped me become the legislator I am today.

Thank you, Robin, for everything.

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