



# STATE OF WISCONSIN Assembly Journal

## One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session

2:00 P.M.

MONDAY, January 6, 2025

The Assembly met in the Assembly Chamber located in the State Capitol. Pursuant to Section 13.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes and Assembly Rule 5, the Assembly was called to order by the Chief Clerk of the 2023-2024 session, Edward A. Blazel.

The prayer was offered by The Most Reverend Donald J. Hying, Bishop of the Madison Diocese.

The Colors were presented by members of the 1st Squadron, 105th Cavalry Regiment Color Team.

Representatives-elect B. Jacobson and Tenorio led the membership in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the United States of America flag.

### COMMUNICATIONS

December 9, 2024

The Honorable Edward A. Blazel, Chief Clerk  
Wisconsin State Assembly  
17 West Main Street, Suite 401  
Madison, WI 53703

Dear Chief Clerk Blazel:

I am pleased to provide you with a copy of the official canvass of the November 5, 2024 General Election vote for Representative to the Assembly, along with the determination by the Chair of the Wisconsin Elections Commission of the winners.

With this letter, I am delivering the Certificates of Election for the winners to you for distribution.

If the Elections Commission can provide you with further information or assistance, please contact our office.

Sincerely,  
*MEAGAN WOLFE*  
Administrator  
Wisconsin Elections Commission

### District Representative

- 1 Joel Kitchens – (R – Sturgeon Bay)
- 2 Shae Sortwell – (R – Two Rivers)
- 3 Ron Tusler – (R – Harrison)
- 4 David Steffen – (R – Howard)
- 5 Joy Goeben – (R – Hobart)
- 6 Elijah Behnke – (R – Town of Chase)
- 7 Karen Kirsch – (D – Greenfield)

### District Representative

- 8 Sylvia Ortiz-Velez – (D – Milwaukee)
- 9 Priscilla A. Prado – (D – Milwaukee)
- 10 Darrin Madison – (D – Milwaukee)
- 11 Sequanna Taylor – (D – Milwaukee)
- 12 Russell Antonio Goodwin, Sr. – (D – Milwaukee)
- 13 Robyn Vining – (D – Wauwatosa)
- 14 Angelito Tenorio (D – West Allis)
- 15 Adam Neylon – (R – Pewaukee)
- 16 Kalan Haywood – (D – Milwaukee)
- 17 Supreme Moore Omokunde – (D – Milwaukee)
- 18 Margaret Arney – (D – Wauwatosa)
- 19 Ryan Clancy – (D – Milwaukee)
- 20 Christine M. Sinicki – (D – Milwaukee)
- 21 Jessie Rodriguez – (R – Oak Creek)
- 22 Paul Melotik – (R – Grafton)
- 23 Deb Andraca – (D – Whitefish Bay)
- 24 Daniel Knodl – (R – Germantown)
- 25 Paul Tittl – (R – Manitowoc)
- 26 Joe Sheehan – (D – Sheboygan)
- 27 Lindee R. Brill – (R – Sheboygan Falls)
- 28 Rob Kreibich – (R – New Richmond)
- 29 Treig E. Pronschinske – (R – Mondovi)
- 30 Shannon M. Zimmerman – (R – River Falls)
- 31 Tyler August – (R – Walworth)
- 32 Amanda Nedweski – (R – Pleasant Prairie)
- 33 Robin Vos – (R – Rochester)
- 34 Rob Swearingen – (R – Rhineland)
- 35 Calvin Callahan – (R – Tripoli)
- 36 Jeffrey Mursau – (R – Crivitz)
- 37 Mark Born – (R – Beaver Dam)
- 38 William Penterman – (R – Columbus)
- 39 Alex Dallman – (R – Markesan)
- 40 Karen DeSanto – (D – Baraboo)
- 41 Tony Kurtz – (R – Wonewoc)
- 42 Maureen McCarville – (D – DeForest)
- 43 Brienne Brown – (D – Whitewater)
- 44 Ann Roe – (D – Janesville)
- 45 Clinton Anderson – (D – Beloit)
- 46 Joan Fitzgerald – (D – Fort Atkinson)
- 47 Randy Udell – (D – Fitchburg)
- 48 Andrew Hysell – (D – Sun Prairie)
- 49 Travis Tranel – (R – Cuba City)
- 50 Jenna Jacobson – (D – Oregon)
- 51 Todd Novak – (R – Dodgeville)
- 52 Lee Snodgrass – (D – Appleton)

District Representative

- 53 Dean Kaufert – (R – Neenah)
- 54 Lori Palmeri – (D – Oshkosh)
- 55 Nate Gustafson – (R – Neenah)
- 56 David Murphy – (R – Greenville)
- 57 Kevin Petersen – (R – Waupaca)
- 58 Rick Gundrum – (R – Slinger)
- 59 Robert Brooks – (R – Saukville)
- 60 Jerry O’Connor – (R – Fond du Lac)
- 61 Bob Donovan – (R – Greenfield)
- 62 Angelina M. Cruz – (D – Racine)
- 63 Robert Wittke – (R – Caledonia)
- 64 Tip McGuire – (D – Kenosha)
- 65 Ben DeSmidt – (D – Kenosha)
- 66 Greta Neubauer – (D – Racine)
- 67 Dave Armstrong – (R – Rice Lake)
- 68 Rob Summerfield – (R – Bloomer)
- 69 Karen Hurd – (R – Withee)
- 70 Nancy VanderMeer – (R – Tomah)
- 71 Vincent Miresse – (D – Stevens Point)
- 72 Scott Krug – (R – Arkdale)
- 73 Angela Stroud – (D – Ashland)
- 74 Chanz Green – (R – Grand View)
- 75 Duke Tucker – (R – Grantsburg)
- 76 Francesca Hong – (D – Madison)
- 77 Renuka Mayadev – (D – Madison)
- 78 Shelia Stubbs – (D – Madison)
- 79 Lisa Subeck – (D – Madison)
- 80 Mike Bare – (D – Verona)
- 81 Alex Joers – (D – Waunakee)
- 82 Scott Allen – (R – Waukesha)
- 83 Dave Maxey – (R – New Berlin)
- 84 Chuck Wichgers – (R – Muskego)
- 85 Patrick Snyder – (R – Schofield)
- 86 John Spiros – (R – Marshfield)
- 87 Brent Jacobson – (R – Mosinee)
- 88 Benjamin Franklin – (R – DePere)
- 89 Ryan Spaude – (D – Ashwaubenon)
- 90 Amaad Rivera-Wagner – (D – Green Bay)
- 91 Jodi Emerson – (D – Eau Claire)
- 92 Clint Moses – (R – Menomonie)
- 93 Christian Phelps – (D – Eau Claire)
- 94 Steve Doyle – (D – Onalaska)
- 95 Jill Billings – (D – La Crosse)
- 96 Tara Johnson – (D – Town of Shelby)
- 97 Cindi Duchow – (R – Pewaukee)
- 98 Jim Piwowarczyk – (R – Hubertus)
- 99 Barbara Dittrich – (R – Oconomowoc)

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**OATH OF OFFICE**

Today's Bible used to swear in the Members of the Wisconsin State Assembly was accompanied by Christian Overland of the Wisconsin Historical Society.

The United States Congress organized the Territory of Wisconsin on July 3, 1836. The following day, John S. Horner, Secretary of the former Michigan Territory, was sworn in as Secretary of the Wisconsin Territory. On that same Independence Day in Mineral Point, Horner used this Bible to administer the oath of office to the newly appointed Governor of the Wisconsin Territory, Henry Dodge. In the same ceremony, Horner used this Bible to swear in three of Wisconsin’s new Supreme Court judges, William C. Frasier, David Irvin, and Charles Dunn (father-in-law of the first Governor of the State of Wisconsin, Nelson Dewey). This historic Bible, published in 1829, marks the very beginning of Wisconsin’s government and was donated to the Wisconsin Historical Society by John S. Horner on June 10, 1870.

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 28 of the Wisconsin Constitution, the members of the One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session of the Assembly were sworn into office. The Honorable Justice Rebecca Bradley of the Wisconsin Supreme Court administered the oath of office en masse.

The clerk called the attendance roll, and the members, as their names were called, came to the desk to sign the Oath of Office book.

The roll was taken.

The result follows:

Present – Representatives Allen, Anderson, Andraca, Armstrong, Arney, August, Bare, Behnke, Billings, Born, Brill, Brooks, Brown, Callahan, Clancy, Cruz, Dallman, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Dittrich, Donovan, Doyle, Duchow, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Franklin, Goeben, Goodwin, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Haywood, Hong, Hurd, Hysell, B. Jacobson, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Madison, Maxey, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Melotik, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neubauer, Neylon, Novak, O’Connor, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Penterman, Petersen, Phelps, Piwowarczyk, Prado, Pronschinske, Rivera-Wagner, Rodriguez, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Snyder, Sortwell, Spaude, Spiros, Steffen, Stroud, Stubbs, Subeck, Summerfield, Swearingen, Taylor, Tenorio, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, Udell, VanderMeer, Vining, Vos, Wichgers, Wittke, and Zimmerman – 98.

Absent with leave – Representative Kirsch – 1.

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**LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

Representative Subeck asked unanimous consent for a leave of absence for today’s session for Representative Kirsch. Granted.

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**ELECTION OF SPEAKER**

Representative Snyder nominated Representative Robin Vos for the Speaker of the Assembly for the One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session of the Legislature.

Representative Haywood nominated Representative Greta Neubauer for the Speaker of the Assembly for the One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session of the Legislature.

There being no further nominations, the Chair declared nominations closed.

For Representative Robin Vos – Representatives Allen, Armstrong, August, Behnke, Born, Brooks, Callahan, Dallman, Dittrich, Donovan, Duchow, Franklin, Goeben, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Hurd, B. Jacobson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Maxey, Melotik, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neylon, Novak, O’Connor, Penterman, Petersen, Piwowarczyk, Pronschinske, Rodriguez, Snyder, Sortwell, Spiros, Steffen, Summerfield, Swearingen, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, VanderMeer, Vos, Wittke, and Zimmerman – 52.

For Representative Greta Neubauer – Representatives Anderson, Andraca, Arney, Bare, Billings, Brown, Clancy, Cruz, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Doyle, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Goodwin, Haywood, Hong, Hysell, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Madison, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Neubauer, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Phelps, Prado, Rivera-Wagner, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Spaude, Stroud, Stubbs, Subeck, Taylor, Tenorio, Udell, and Vining – 44.

Not voting: Representatives Brill, Kirsch, and Wichgers – 3.

Representative Robin Vos was elected Speaker of the Assembly of the One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session of the Legislature.

The Honorable Justice Rebecca Bradley of the Wisconsin Supreme Court administered the oath of office.

Speaker Vos in the chair.

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### REMARKS BY THE SPEAKER

“Good afternoon, and congratulations to the members of the 107th Wisconsin State Assembly.

I would like to thank you for choosing me to serve as your Speaker again. It continues to be one of the greatest honors of my life and a duty that I never take for granted.

Thank you as well to Justice Rebecca Bradley, who swore us all in today, and Bishop Don Hying for offering the prayer.

Today is a special day for every single one of us, but Inauguration Day is especially meaningful for the 31 new individuals who are joining the 5,118 people who have served in the Assembly since Wisconsin’s statehood in 1848.

These new members will be called state representatives for the first time, and each has signed the official Assembly “Oath of Office” book. This book is a part of our history and contains the signature of every state representative sworn into office since 1877.

Let’s congratulate these new colleagues with a round of applause.

We share this special occasion with the important people in our lives—sons and daughters, husbands and wives, parents and grandparents...the people we depend on for support, love, and guidance.

I want to take a moment to recognize the true love of my life, my amazing wife Michelle, and my parents, who are here with me.

My parents' love and support made me who I am today, and Michelle’s constant love and encouragement keep me going. Thanks, Mom, Dad, and Michelle, for being here—I love you.

Our families, in a sense, are drafted to serve right alongside us, whether they realize it or not, and I know each of you want to also thank them.

Let’s take a moment and give our families a well-deserved round of applause from the members.

Inauguration Day is always a day to celebrate.

Ninety-nine men and women took the oath of office and became state representatives, continuing a tradition that goes back to the founding of Wisconsin. Each of us serves as the voice of 60,000 people. While we are each elected with a party label, more importantly, each of us has a common goal of doing our very best for Wisconsin. This has always been the case in this chamber, and God willing, it always will be.

Before we begin the new session, it’s important to look back and remember the leaders who have helped shape the significant reforms in our state.

Several former Assembly Speakers have joined us today. Please hold your applause until I introduce them all. Jeff Fitzgerald served as Speaker from 2011-2012; Mike Huebsch served as Speaker from 2007-2008; John Gard served as Speaker from 2003-2007; and Ben Brancel served as Speaker in 1997.

Please join me in a round of applause to show our appreciation for their service.

Former Speakers Jensen, Loftus, Froehlich, Kunicki, and Sheridan were also invited but could not attend and send their best wishes and congratulations as we begin our new session.

This past year we also lost one of our former speakers, Justice David Prosser, who served as speaker from 1995-1996. David was creative, smart, tenacious, and caring and will be missed by those who were privileged to call him a friend and colleague. Will you all rise for a moment of silence so we can honor his memory and service to Wisconsin? Thank you.

We are so blessed to be able to serve in this magnificent building. I think it’s important to have a greater appreciation of the building itself and the messages the architects were conveying to future occupants.

Over a century ago, our predecessors began the task of planning, financing, and constructing this 3rd state Capitol building. The Civil War was still fresh in their minds. If you take some time to wander around this building, you will find plenty of evidence of their respect for the soldiers who fought and saved the Union.

What we now call the GAR room on the fourth floor in the North Wing is named after the Grand Army of the Republic, of which more than 91 thousand soldiers from Wisconsin fought, and over 12 thousand died. GAR was originally used by veterans to hold ceremonies to honor those who were lost in the Civil War.

Over my shoulder is a replica of Old Abe, the mascot of the 8th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Regiment during the Civil War. Old Abe watches over our debates to ensure that we never forget that many have fought and died to protect our constitutional republic.

The historical nature of today and the jobs that we hold temporarily cannot be taken lightly.

Three years into statehood, Wisconsin adopted the official state motto, "Forward." The Wisconsin Historical Society says the motto reflects the state's continuous drive to be a national leader.

The citizens of Wisconsin have given us the privilege of being their advocates in state government.

As state representatives, we have been afforded an amazing responsibility.

In this great historical race, we have been passed the baton to be the leaders of today's Wisconsin.

It's our time, it is your time, to serve and guide the course of our state's future until you pass the baton to the next leader.

Our state constitution begins with the following preamble:

"We, the people of Wisconsin, grateful to Almighty God for our freedom, in order to secure its blessings, form a more perfect government, ensure domestic tranquility and promote the general welfare, do establish this constitution."

Before each inauguration day, I re-read the Wisconsin State Constitution. It's only 17 pages long and takes about an hour to read. I would encourage all of you to do it sometime in the near future.

Can you guess which branch of government is mentioned first in the state Constitution? You guessed right, the branch closest to the people. The Legislature.

While the constitution specifically provides guidance for the powers of each branch of government, it spends significantly more time on the legislative branch.

The constitution addresses the governor in 10 sections and the attorney general, secretary of state and state treasurer in 1 section each...but the legislature is addressed in 34 sections.

Our state's founders clearly wanted to give more distinct powers to the branch closest to the people.

Every one of us comes from a different part of the state and comes with our own set of principles and beliefs but we all share the same constitution, and all recited the same oath moments ago as we swore to defend and protect it.

We must never forget that we are not here to satisfy our personal beliefs or passions; we are here to represent our constituents and their wishes, not simply our own.

So, what will you do with this great responsibility? How will you help carry the mantle of success that this chamber has been known for?

2024 was a challenging year for our country and our state. First, we must all acknowledge that our nation is deeply divided. Ideology for some has become their religion and far too many believe those who don't agree with them are either evil, stupid, or both.

The idea that some viewpoints in this chamber or on campus or in our classrooms are not worthy of discussion and debate is just plain wrong. A study recently said it was significantly more likely for someone to marry a person of a different race or religion than a different political persuasion. In fact, only 4% of Americans marry someone who supports a different political party. That makes group-think around the kitchen table a danger that we must not ignore.

In this chamber, we will have vigorous debates. We obviously have conflicting ideas, but most importantly, we can demonstrate how listening to those who you disagree with is an inherent part of our democracy.

Finding common ground is a part of our DNA, and I promise you it will continue over the next two years.

While we will always seek to find common ground, rest assured we will never sacrifice our principles. Let me take just a moment to offer a few predictions for the next two years.

One - We will always remember that it's the hard-working taxpayers who need relief from the crushing burden of rising prices, increasing rents and local governments who refuse to cut spending and just keep increasing local taxes. Therefore, we will pass a tax cut focused on those who pay taxes in Wisconsin. The money that we set aside for that tax cut WILL NOT be spent by this legislature on other wants no matter how many special interests or tax and spend politicians apply pressure.

Two - We will not create new programs to grow the size of government because we know government control over our lives doesn't make us more prosperous. Government spending doesn't grow the economy, and socialism doesn't make us more free.

Three - We will demand accountability and measurable results for any increase in funding we provide. This majority knows every dollar spent by government had to come from the hard work of a taxpayer. They expect us to use every single dollar for a laudable purpose, not just another hair-brained idea.

Four - It seems some parts of state government have stopped innovating and just accepted the status quo as the best we can do. That must change.

Our new Assembly Committee on Government Operations, Accountability, and Transparency will lead the way and I encourage every legislator to be part of these important innovations. And, as always, the majority is open to working with anyone who brings good ideas to the table in a sense of goodwill.

Rather than doing everything the way that we have for the past 20 or 30 years, and just adding more bureaucracy to the top of the pile, I would like us to focus on innovating and have the Assembly be a place where new ideas thrive as we meet the needs of the people of Wisconsin.

And finally like every session while I've been speaker, we've invited the minority party leaders to sit down with us to draft a Memorandum of Understanding, to serve as a bipartisan guide for the legislative session as we set a path forward for Wisconsin.

Over the course of the past 100 years, the people who sat in this chamber have made things happen.

Today, we celebrate the Badger State. Not as a Republican or a Democrat, but as Wisconsinites.

You are the new members of the 107th Wisconsin State Assembly and it's time to get things done, during divided government through real leadership.

Let's get to work.

God bless you and God Bless the state of Wisconsin."

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### ELECTION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

Representative Mursau nominated Representative Kevin Petersen for the position of Speaker Pro Tempore of the Assembly for the One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session of the Legislature.

There being no further nominations, the speaker declared nominations closed.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that a unanimous ballot be cast with all members of the Assembly recorded as voting for Representative Kevin Petersen for Speaker Pro Tempore of the Assembly. Granted.

For Representative Kevin Petersen – Representatives Allen, Anderson, Andraca, Armstrong, Arney, August, Bare, Behnke, Billings, Born, Brill, Brooks, Brown, Callahan, Clancy, Cruz, Dallman, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Dittrich, Donovan, Doyle, Duchow, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Franklin, Goeben, Goodwin, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Haywood, Hong, Hurd, Hysell, B. Jacobson, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Madison, Maxey, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Melotik, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neubauer, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Penterman, Petersen, Phelps, Piwowarczyk, Prado, Pronschinske, Rivera-Wagner, Rodriguez, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Snyder, Sortwell, Spaude, Spiros, Steffen, Stroud, Stubbs, Subeck, Summerfield, Swearingen, Taylor, Tenorio, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, Udell, VanderMeer, Vining, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 98.

Noes - None.

Absent or not voting - Representative Kirsch - 1.

Representative Kevin Petersen was elected Speaker Pro Tempore of the Assembly for the One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session of the Legislature.

The oath of office was administered by Speaker Vos.

### ELECTION OF CHIEF CLERK

Representative Wittke nominated Edward A. Blazel as Chief Clerk of the Assembly for the One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session of the Legislature.

Representative Subeck seconded the nomination of Edward A. Blazel for the position of Chief Clerk of the Assembly for the One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session of the Legislature.

There being no further nominations, the speaker declared nominations closed.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that a unanimous ballot be cast with all members of the Assembly recorded as voting for Edward A. Blazel for the position of Chief Clerk of the Assembly. Granted.

For Edward A. Blazel – Representatives Allen, Anderson, Andraca, Armstrong, Arney, August, Bare, Behnke, Billings, Born, Brill, Brooks, Brown, Callahan, Clancy, Cruz, Dallman, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Dittrich, Donovan, Doyle, Duchow, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Franklin, Goeben, Goodwin, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Haywood, Hong, Hurd, Hysell, B. Jacobson, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Madison, Maxey, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Melotik, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neubauer, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Penterman, Petersen, Phelps, Piwowarczyk, Prado, Pronschinske, Rivera-Wagner, Rodriguez, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Snyder, Sortwell, Spaude, Spiros, Steffen, Stroud, Stubbs, Subeck, Summerfield, Swearingen, Taylor, Tenorio, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, Udell, VanderMeer, Vining, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 98.

Noes - None.

Absent or not voting - Representative Kirsch - 1.

Edward A. Blazel was elected Chief Clerk of the Assembly for the One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session of the Legislature.

The oath of office was administered by Speaker Vos.

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### ELECTION OF SERGEANT AT ARMS

Representative Hurd nominated Anne Tonnon Byers for the position of Sergeant at Arms of the Assembly for the One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session of the Legislature.

Representative Joers seconded the nomination of Anne Tonnon Byers for the position of Sergeant at Arms of the Assembly for the One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session of the Legislature.

There being no further nominations, the speaker declared nominations closed.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that a unanimous ballot be cast with all members of the Assembly

recorded as voting for Anne Tonnon Byers as Sergeant at Arms of the Assembly. Granted.

For Anne Tonnon Byers – Representatives Allen, Anderson, Andraca, Armstrong, Arney, August, Bare, Behnke, Billings, Born, Brill, Brooks, Brown, Callahan, Clancy, Cruz, Dallman, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Dittrich, Donovan, Doyle, Duchow, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Franklin, Goeben, Goodwin, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Haywood, Hong, Hurd, Hysell, B. Jacobson, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Madison, Maxey, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Melotik, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neubauer, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Penterman, Petersen, Phelps, Piwowarczyk, Prado, Pronschinske, Rivera-Wagner, Rodriguez, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Snyder, Sortwell, Spaude, Spiros, Steffen, Stroud, Stubbs, Subeck, Summerfield, Swearingen, Taylor, Tenorio, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, Udell, VanderMeer, Vining, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 98.

Noes - None.

Absent or not voting - Representative Kirsch - 1.

Anne Tonnon Byers was elected Sergeant at Arms of the Assembly for the One-Hundred and Seventh Regular Session of the Legislature.

The oath of office was administered by Speaker Vos.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

November 13, 2024

Edward A. Blazel  
 Assembly Chief Clerk  
 17 West Main Street, Suite 401  
 Madison, WI 53703

Dear Chief Clerk Blazel:

Pursuant to Assembly Rule 2 (3), the following officers have been duly elected by the Assembly Republican Caucus:

- Majority Leader: Tyler August
- Assistant Majority Leader: Scott Krug
- Majority Caucus Chair: Rob Summerfield
- Majority Caucus Vice-Chair: Cindi Duchow
- Majority Caucus Secretary: Nancy VanderMeer
- Majority Caucus Sergeant at Arms: Treig Pronschinske

Sincerely,  
*ROB SUMMERFIELD*  
 Republican Caucus Chair

November 19, 2024

Edward A. Blazel  
 Assembly Chief Clerk  
 17 West Main Street, Suite 401  
 Madison, WI 53703

Dear Chief Clerk Blazel:

Pursuant to Assembly Rule 2 (2) and Assembly Rule 2 (3), this letter serves as notification that the following officers have been elected by the Assembly Democratic Caucus:

- Minority Leader: Greta Neubauer
- Assistant Minority Leader: Kalan Haywood
- Minority Caucus Chair: Lisa Subeck
- Minority Caucus Vice-Chair: Clinton Anderson
- Minority Caucus Secretary: Mike Bare
- Minority Caucus Sergeant at Arms: Jodi Emerson

Sincerely,  
*LISA SUBECK*  
 Democratic Caucus Chair

**SEAT ASSIGNMENTS**

Pursuant to Assembly Rule 2 (4), for the 2025-2026 Legislative Session in the Assembly Chamber, democrat members will be seated on the east (door) side of the center aisle, and republican members will be seated in the seats on the west (window) side of the center aisle. Speaker Vos will occupy seat number 4. Seat number 76 will remain vacant.

<u>Member</u>	<u>Seat No.</u>
Allen.....	53
Anderson.....	7
Andraca.....	89
Armstrong.....	43
Arney.....	13
August.....	1
Bare.....	33
Behnke.....	23
Billings.....	14
Born.....	18
Brill.....	83
Brooks.....	79
Brown.....	12
Callahan.....	99
Clancy.....	64
Cruz.....	93
Dallman.....	20
DeSanto.....	65
DeSmidt.....	95
Dittrich.....	72
Donovan.....	55
Doyle.....	34
Duchow.....	81
Emerson.....	10
Fitzgerald.....	31
Franklin.....	27
Goeben.....	21
Goodwin.....	92
Green.....	26
Gundrum.....	22
Gustafson.....	71
Haywood.....	6
Hong.....	62
Hurd.....	46
Hysell.....	30

<u>Member</u>	<u>Seat No.</u>
Jacobson, B.	82
Jacobson, J.	11
Joers	61
Johnson	29
Kaufert	48
Kirsch	94
Kitchens	52
Knodl	45
Kreibich	51
Krug	2
Kurtz	28
Madison	32
Maxey	74
Mayadev	88
McCarville	60
McGuire	90
Melotik	56
Miresse	38
Moore Omokunde	57
Moses	98
Murphy	41
Mursau	44
Nedweski	70
Neubauer	5
Neylon	49
Novak	50
O'Connor	54
Ortiz-Velez	35
Palmeri	68
Penterman	24
Petersen	3
Phelps	67
Piwowarczyk	17
Prado	38
Pronschinske	78
Rivera-Wagner	85
Rodriguez	84
Roe	66
Sheehan	87
Sinicki	9
Snodgrass	63
Sortwell	100
Snyder	15
Spaude	86
Spiros	19
Steffen	69
Stroud	91
Stubbs	40
Subeck	8
Summerfield	25
Swearingen	80
Taylor	58
Tenorio	37
Tittl	96
Tranel	77
Tucker	16
Tusler	97
Udell	59
VanderMeer	75

<u>Member</u>	<u>Seat No.</u>
Vining	36
Vos	4
Wichgers	47
Wittke	73
Zimmerman	42

Speaker Vos introduced a privileged resolution.

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## INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

### Assembly Resolution 1

Relating to: notifying the senate and the governor that the 2025-2026 assembly is organized.

By Representatives Vos, and August.

Privileged and read.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Resolution 1** be adopted?

The roll was taken.

The result follows:

Ayes - Representatives Allen, Anderson, Andraca, Armstrong, Arney, August, Bare, Behnke, Billings, Born, Brill, Brooks, Brown, Callahan, Clancy, Cruz, Dallman, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Dittrich, Donovan, Doyle, Duchow, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Franklin, Goeben, Goodwin, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Haywood, Hong, Hurd, Hysell, B. Jacobson, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Madison, Maxey, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Melotik, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neubauer, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Penterman, Petersen, Phelps, Piwowarczyk, Prado, Pronschinske, Rivera-Wagner, Rodriguez, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Snyder, Sortwell, Spaude, Spiros, Steffen, Stroud, Stubbs, Subeck, Summerfield, Swearingen, Taylor, Tenorio, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, Udell, VanderMeer, Vining, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 98.

Noes - None.

Absent or not voting - Representative Kirsch - 1.

Motion carried.

Speaker Vos introduced a privileged resolution.

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## INTRODUCTION AND REFERENCE OF PROPOSALS

Read first time and referred:

### Assembly Resolution 2

Relating to: establishing the assembly committee structure and names for the 2025-2026 legislative session.

By Representatives Vos, and August.

Privileged and read.

The question was: Shall **Assembly Resolution 2** be adopted?

The roll was taken.

The result follows:

Ayes - Representatives Allen, Anderson, Andraca, Armstrong, Arney, August, Bare, Behnke, Born, Brill, Brooks, Brown, Callahan, Cruz, Dallman, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Dittrich, Donovan, Doyle, Duchow, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Franklin, Goeben, Goodwin, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Haywood, Hurd, Hysell, B. Jacobson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Maxey, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Melotik, Miresse, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neubauer, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Ortiz-Velez, Palmeri, Penterman, Petersen, Piwowarczyk, Prado, Pronschinske, Rivera-Wagner, Rodriguez, Roe, Sheehan, Snyder, Sortwell, Spaude, Spiros, Steffen, Stroud, Stubbs, Subeck, Summerfield, Swearingen, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, Udell, VanderMeer, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 84.

Noes - Representatives Billings, Clancy, Hong, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Madison, Moore Omokunde, Phelps, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Taylor, Tenorio, and Vining - 14.

Absent or not voting - Representative Kirsch - 1.

Representative J. Jacobson asked unanimous consent to be recorded as voting "Aye" on the previous question. Granted.

Motion carried.

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### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

From: Richard Champagne, Senate Chief Clerk.

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed to inform you that the Senate has

Adopted and asks concurrence in:  
**Senate Joint Resolution 1**

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### ACTION ON THE SENATE MESSAGE

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Senate Joint Resolution 1** be withdrawn from the Senate message and taken up at this time. Granted.

#### **Senate Joint Resolution 1**

Relating to: the session schedule for the 2025-2026 biennial session period.

By joint committee on **Legislative Organization**

The question was: Shall **Senate Joint Resolution 1** be concurred in?

The roll was taken.

The result follows:

Ayes - Representatives Allen, Armstrong, August, Behnke, Born, Brill, Brooks, Callahan, Dallman, Dittrich,

Donovan, Duchow, Franklin, Goeben, Green, Gundrum, Gustafson, Hurd, B. Jacobson, Kaufert, Kitchens, Knodl, Kreibich, Krug, Kurtz, Maxey, Melotik, Moses, Murphy, Mursau, Nedweski, Neylon, Novak, O'Connor, Ortiz-Velez, Penterman, Petersen, Piwowarczyk, Pronschinske, Rodriguez, Snyder, Sortwell, Spiros, Steffen, Summerfield, Swearingen, Tittl, Tranel, Tucker, Tusler, VanderMeer, Wichgers, Wittke, Zimmerman, and Speaker Vos - 55.

Noes - Representatives Anderson, Andraca, Arney, Bare, Billings, Brown, Clancy, Cruz, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Doyle, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Goodwin, Haywood, Hong, Hysell, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Madison, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Neubauer, Palmeri, Phelps, Prado, Rivera-Wagner, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Spaude, Stroud, Stubbs, Subeck, Taylor, Tenorio, Udell, and Vining - 43.

Absent or not voting - Representative Kirsch - 1.

Motion carried.

Representative Ortiz-Velez asked unanimous consent to be recorded as voting "No" on the previous question. Granted.

Representative August asked unanimous consent that the rules be suspended and that **Senate Joint Resolution 1** be immediately messaged to the Senate. Granted.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Kurtz asked unanimous consent that the Assembly adjourn in honor of the 1st Squadron, 105th Cavalry Regiment Color Team: SFC Keith Gillingham, SGT Jacob Oद्या, SPC Elijah Ornstein, SGT Chris Schoebel, and CPT Rod Watson. Granted.

Representative Kurtz asked unanimous consent that the Assembly adjourn in honor of the Wisconsin National Guard 132D Army Band Brass Quintet: SSG Charlie Bloom, SPC Alexander Fiedler, SPC Jan Hora, SGT Zachary Masa-Myers, and SSG Morgan Sondelski. Granted.

Representative Kurtz asked unanimous consent that the Assembly adjourn in honor of former State Representative Warren Petryk, who sang the national anthem, "*The Star-Spangled Banner*," and "*God Bless America*" during today's session. Granted.

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### ADJOURNMENT

Representative August moved that the Assembly stand adjourned until 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, January 8.

The question was: Shall the Assembly stand adjourned?

Motion carried.

The Assembly stood adjourned.

3:58 P.M.