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Speaker Vos Announces State of the Tribes Address

Madison...Speaker Robin Vos (R-Rochester) would like to announce the 13th annual State of the Tribes address is scheduled for Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 1 p.m. in the Wisconsin State Assembly. The Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. has notified the speaker's office that Shannon Holsey, President of Stockbridge-Munsee Community, will be giving the speech.

"This is an Assembly tradition that promotes better communications between the tribal nations and the state," said Speaker Vos. "It's important to find areas of mutual concern that we can work on together."

Constitutional officers, members of the state Supreme Court and Senate are invited to attend the annual address, which is open to the public. Prior to the address, there will be a drum and color guard procession from the Capitol's east steps around the building to the west side at 12:15 p.m. to 12:40 p.m.

The State of the Tribes address began in 2005. There are 11 federally recognized tribes in the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council in Wisconsin. Each year the council selects a member to give the address. A public reception will follow in the North Hearing Room in the Capitol.

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