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Media Advisory: Rep. Steffen Unveils Green Bay Prison Proposal

Proposal calls for decommission of GBCI and construction of nearby new facility

**Madison**—Today, State Representative David Steffen (R-Howard) announced he will be holding a press conference to unveil details of his proposal to close Green Bay Correctional Institution and construct a new maximum security prison in the Brown County area.

"Over the past several months I have been working with the appropriate departments, taking input from my colleagues and my community, and researching all options in order to develop a proposal of this scope. I strongly believe that as capacity and cost concerns continue to increase at the Green Bay Correctional Institution, it is time we take a definitive, cost-effective approach to addressing the situation. I am incredibly confident in the compelling capacity, security, economic, and financial opportunities created in my proposal and look forward to sharing the details of this plan," said Rep. Steffen.

**WHO**: State Representative David Steffen

Brown County Executive Troy Streckenbach

Village of Allouez President Jim Rafter

Village of Allouez Administrator Brad Lange

Greater Green Bay Chamber of Commerce

Mark Olejniczak—Olejniczak Realty

Other community leaders are also expected to be present and available for comments

**WHAT**: Press Conference

WHERE: Allouez Village Hall, 1900 Libal Street, Green Bay, WI 54301

**WHEN**: Monday, April 17, 2017; 1:00PM

"The bottom line is that none of the challenges facing our state's prison system are addressed by doing nothing. In fact, the longer we wait, the more difficult and expensive our remaining options become," said Rep. Steffen.

Members of the media are invited to attend. Please contact Representative Steffen with any additional questions at 608-266-5840 or Rep.Steffen@legis.wi.gov.

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