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Rep. Swearingen Reacts to State of the State Address

Madison- Today, Rep. Rob Swearingen (R- Rhinelander) released the following statement after Governor Scott Walker addressed the Wisconsin State Legislature for his eighth State of the State address.

“For the eighth consecutive year the State of the State is strong. Republican reforms have led to the lowest unemployment levels in state history, more assistance for rural schools, and increased opportunities for all of our citizens to enter the workforce.”

Governor Walker demonstrated his commitment to invest in the expansion of broadband to rural areas across the state. Broadband expansion will provide better quality of life for our residents, attract new businesses, enhance tourism experiences and promote student educational opportunities.

“Additionally, Governor Walker and Wisconsin Republicans will continue to work around federal healthcare issues, especially senior healthcare issues. I remain concerned about people with pre-existing conditions, especially seniors who are on a fixed income. It is also truly sad to see hard working families stuck with paying high deductibles. I applaud governor for taking the initiative on these pressing issues that Washington has not resolved,” stated Rep. Swearingen.

In addition to addressing healthcare issues, Governor Walker proposed a 2018 Rural Economic Development Fund that will support the development of new businesses in rural areas, as well as a child tax credit that will give hardworking families \$100 for each child under the age of 18.

Rep. Swearingen continued, *“I support Governor Walker’s Ambitious 2018 Agenda, and I believe that Wisconsin continues to be heading in the right direction.”*

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