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Statement from ABC WI on Speaker Paul Ryan's announcement

MADISON, WI – Statement from John Mielke, president of Associated Builders & Contractors (ABC) of Wisconsin, regarding Speaker Paul Ryan's announcement today (Wednesday) that he will not seek re-election this fall:

“On behalf of our 870 construction employer members in Wisconsin, I would like to congratulate Speaker Paul Ryan on his decision and, perhaps more importantly, for all of his legislative and political accomplishments over the years. He will leave Congress proud of his work for our country. Regardless of his prominent role in Washington, Speaker Ryan made time for ABC of Wisconsin and its members. As one who believes strongly in people, Speaker Ryan has been an advocate for ABC and our free enterprise principles. For this, he deserves our appreciation and thanks. It is not an easy decision for him to leave elected office, but his intent to put his family first should be commended.”

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Associated Builders and Contractors is a national trade association, representing more than 21,000 merit contractors, subcontractors, material suppliers, manufacturers and construction-related professionals. With more than 870 members, the Wisconsin chapter is the largest in the country. ABC members support the merit philosophy which stresses open competition and the free enterprise system and believe the best construction projects are those built on merit. To learn more about ABC of Wisconsin visit ABCWI.org.