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## Highway 23 Must Be a Priority Kyle Whelton is Committed to Funding Local Roads

**Sheboygan, WI** – Highway 23 (WIS 23), is a highly important state highway, linking key communities and regional economies. The 19-mile, two-lane highway is one of the most dangerous in the state with almost 50% of the fatalities of the past 20 years occurring in the last five. Funding to expand the highway has been stalled since it was first approved in 1999. A DOT public hearing is being held on Tuesday, June 19th in Fond du Lac.

Prior to the public hearing, Kyle Whelton, Democratic candidate for Senate District 9, released the following statement:

“I am committed to the work that needs to be done to properly fund our crumbling local roads and highways. Unlike my opponent, I am committed to long-term funding solutions so that projects like Highway 23 can get done in reality, not just on paper. In the last state budget, the legislature had the chance to prioritize transportation funding yet they instead chose massive giveaways to foreign corporations and tax breaks for the wealthy. Without long-term funding solutions for our roads, we will continue to see delays and shifted priorities.”

“When I talk with residents, I hear one message loud and clear - they are fed up with the games our legislators have played with their livelihoods. They are tired of watching foreign companies get massive handouts of our tax dollars while our roads are in disrepair and our schools remain underfunded. They want legislators that will actually fix these problems instead of just talking about them.”

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The 9<sup>th</sup> Senate District includes areas of Sheboygan, Manitowoc and Calumet Counties.

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