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**Rep. Bowen Statement on Passage of Resolution Honoring June as
Caribbean-American Heritage Month in Wisconsin**
Bowen Proud to Bring Attention to the Achievements of Caribbean-Americans

MADISON - State Rep. David Bowen (D-Milwaukee) released the following statement on the passage of Assembly Joint Resolution 66, proclaiming June as Caribbean-American Heritage Month in Wisconsin:

“I am so proud to have seen my Resolution honoring June as Caribbean-American Heritage Month passed unanimously by the Assembly earlier this afternoon. Caribbean-Americans have been key contributors to our country and state from the very beginning, and *all* Americans of Caribbean descent deserve to have their heritage and achievements honored. This expansive list includes famous Caribbean-Americans such as one of our nation’s Founding Fathers, Alexander Hamilton, politicians like Colin Powell, Eric Holder, and Shirley Chisholm, and famous entertainer and activist Harry Belafonte, among others.”

AJR 66 draws attention to the contributions and achievements of the thousands of Wisconsinites and almost 4.4 million Americans of Caribbean descent living in the United States today, as well as those Caribbean-Americans who came before them.

“Additionally, as the son of Jamaican immigrants who came to the United States to pursue economic opportunity, my own Caribbean-American heritage has played a huge role in my life. Wisconsin has thousands of residents of Caribbean descent and I’ve been inspired by the many members of my community working in leading industries and creating businesses in our economy. I am proud to be young, Black & Caribbean-American, and I am proud to have brought this Resolution to the Floor of the Assembly today.”
