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Rep. Crowley Supports Special Session on Common Sense Gun Safety Reform

Representative David Crowley (D-Milwaukee) made the following statement regarding the Governor's special session on gun safety reform:

"I applaud Governor Evers' decision to bring the legislature into special session to act on gun safety reforms. The Governor and Democratic lawmakers are trying to save the lives of ordinary Wisconsinites – and we are able to do so without infringing on any citizens' 2^{nd} Amendment rights. Through two measures – Universal Background Checks and Extreme Risk Protection Orders (ERPOs) – we can take a real step toward decreasing senseless gun violence, while still maintaining our rich tradition of 2^{nd} Amendment protection.

"These are measures that have widespread public support. Every single member of the legislature should be put on the record in a recorded vote about whether they support these measures that will save lives. The Governor gave Republicans in the legislature the opportunity to do the right thing and have public hearings where we could have a robust public debate about these bills. Instead, they chose to bury the issue to avoid being forced to choose between popular policy, and their gun lobby benefactors. The special session is the only way that these bills – bills that will protect our communities and families without infringing on individual rights – will see the light of day, and I applaud the Governor for putting people above politics."

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