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Representative Oldenburg's Continued Agriculture Focus

WESTBY – Representative Loren Oldenburg (R-Viroqua) was joined this morning by Representative Tony Kurtz (R-Wonewoc), Pete Kondrup the General Manager of the Westby Cooperative Creamery, Tom Schuab who is the President of the Westby Cooperative Creamery Board and a farmer, as well as Adam Warthesen Organic Valley's director of Government and Industry Affairs. They gathered at the Westby Cooperative Creamery Cheese Store this morning for a press conference to discuss the continued agricultural focus of the Wisconsin State Assembly.

“As a lifelong farmer I know the important role that farming plays in our state” Oldenburg stated after the conclusion of the press conference. “We have been working on Ag issues all session, but I am excited to continue this bold effort through the remainder of the legislative session.

“Today we highlighted our legislative package on agriculture, the package includes a bill that will increase dairy processing plant grants. There is also another bill that will increase Wisconsin's Ag exports in dairy, meat and crops” said Representative Oldenburg. “One of the other bills in the package is a property tax credit for agricultural buildings owned by farmers. We also remain dedicated to finishing the agriculture and farmer focused legislation that we have been working on since January of 2019.”

The Assembly Committee on Agriculture will have a hearing on several agriculture and farmer focused bills on Tuesday, February 11, 2020. Representative Oldenburg will continue to work on issues facing farmers and the Ag industry.

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The 96th Assembly District includes all of Crawford county, most of Vernon county, and a portion of Monroe county. The largest cities within the district are Prairie du Chien and Viroqua.