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Rep. Steineke Calls on Governor to Address Needs of Elderly Care Facilities

MADISON – After hearing from several nursing home and long term care employees in his region, State Representative Jim Steineke (R-Kaukauna) responded today to Governor Evers’ continued neglect of the state’s long term care facilities and [sent the administration a letter outlining a number of concerns](#) brought forth by the industry.

“For weeks, Republicans have been sounding the alarm and asking that attention and resources be immediately directed to the frontlines of our assisted living and long term care facilities,” said Steineke. “Now months into the COVID response and with no clear plan in sight to address this critical need, Governor Evers needs to answer why he’s kicking the can down the road when it comes to taking care of parents and grandparents.”

On April 4, 2020, Assembly Republicans sent Governor Evers a letter outlining a number of shared priorities when considering ways to best utilize dollars sent to the state through the federal CARES Act. With reports that more than [40% of all COVID-related deaths are tied to long-term care centers in the state](#), the time is now to provide these crucial facilities with the tools they need to be successful.

“Our loved ones and the vital caregivers that show up to work every day simply cannot wait any longer for the resources they need,” said Steineke. “Governor Evers and his administration are in the driver’s seat and unfortunately for our long term care facilities, it appears as though we are currently on a crash course.”

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