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Rep. Nygren Welcomes President Trump to Marinette

Madison--State Representative John Nygren (R-Marinette), Co-Chair of the Joint Committee on Finance released the following statement:

“Today I was honored to greet President Donald Trump and welcome him to Marinette for his visit to Marinette Marine,” said Rep. Nygren. “The President’s visit comes after Vice-President Pence visited Marinette Marine last November and White House Director of the Office of Trade and Manufacturing Policy, Peter Navarro, visited in May of 2019. The Trump Administration’s commitment to northeastern Wisconsin and Marinette Marine is unmatched.”

President Trump was in Marinette to formally award a \$5 billion contract to Marinette Marine to build frigates for the US Navy. Representative Nygren has led the charge in Wisconsin to bring Marinette Marine to the forefront of shipbuilding worldwide and help secure the highly competitive Navy contract to build frigate warships, which was awarded in April.

In February, Rep. Nygren had the opportunity to meet with the President’s advisor on trade and manufacturing to advocate for Fincantieri Marinette Marine as a partner for the US Navy and the importance of Wisconsin jobs.

The actions championed by Representative Nygren, and supported by Republicans in the Legislature, provided \$29 million in Harbor Assistance grants. This funding will be used for dredging, construction, and capital equipment associated with Fincantieri Marinette Marine’s facilities improvements related to the company’s federal shipbuilding contract for frigates (a highly maneuverable, armed naval ship). Also in the budget, Representative Nygren helped guide \$2 million in workforce training grants for Marinette Marine through the Joint Committee on Finance.

“With over 160 suppliers around the state, an employment impact of over 5,400 jobs, and a \$4.4 billion economic impact in Northeastern Wisconsin alone, it’s clear how much Marinette Marine means to Wisconsin. Today’s visit illustrates just how much Marinette Marine means to our nation.”

“I’d like to thank President Trump for his visit and commitment to Marinette Marine. I’d also like to thank Marinette Marine for their dedication to making northeastern Wisconsin a great place to work, live, and raise a family.”

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