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Representative Lisa Subeck Cites Need for Urgent Action on Police Use of Force; Supports Governor's Call for Special Session

MADISON –Today, Representative Lisa Subeck (D-Madison) released the following statement regarding Governor Tony Evers's [Executive Order #84](#) relating to the use of excessive force by law enforcement and calling the legislature into special session:

“Last night’s shooting of Jacob Blake, who was shot in the back 7 times at close range by a police officer in Kenosha while his children watched, underscores the need for urgent action by the legislature to address a broken system that allows this kind of brutality against black people to occur time and again. Systemic racism is an epidemic public health crisis, and real reform is long overdue.

I add my voice to the collective calls of community members in Kenosha and throughout our state and country demanding change, justice, and an end to police violence against black people. I support the legislation included in today’s Executive Order from Governor Evers calling for a Special Session of the legislature.

My thoughts are with Jacob and his family, and I offer sympathy to all who have been impacted, but thoughts, prayers, and sympathy are not enough. We have the power to bring real change and end systemic racism. Plainly and simply the laws, policies, and practices of our state can and should be reflective of and ensure that Black lives matter.”

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