



# MILWAUKEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## Supervisor Joseph J. Czarnezki - District II

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### **Supervisor Czarnezki Denounces Joint Finance Committee Decision to Cut Milwaukee Transit Funding**

MILWAUKEE – This week the Wisconsin State Legislature’s Joint Finance Committee voted to [cut Milwaukee County’s mass transit operating assistance funding by 50%](#). County Supervisor Joseph J. Czarnezki released the following statement denouncing the action:

*“Milwaukee County and Madison were singled out by this action. Lawmakers say that they adopted these cuts because of the federal assistance our transit system has received to stay afloat during the COVID-19 pandemic. Other transit systems across Wisconsin also received federal funding. Why was their state aid not cut?”*

*“When Republican legislators in Madison vote to cut state aid to Milwaukee County they are voting to reduce services and raise local property taxes.*

*“The Milwaukee County Transit System is an essential part of our transportation infrastructure. Local businesses and their employees depend on MCTS buses. When lawmakers target Milwaukee’s mass transit system, they are undermining the economic engine of the state.”*

Supervisor Czarnezki serves as chair of the Milwaukee County Intergovernmental Relations Committee and represents the residents of Milwaukee County’s 11th Supervisory District.

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