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Statement on the 2021 State of the State Address

Madison, WI - Representative Rick Gundrum (R- Slinger) issued the following statement after Governor Tony Evers' virtual State of the State address last evening:

"It has been a difficult ten months during the coronavirus pandemic. Schools remain virtual, businesses are suffering, and thousands of Wisconsinites are still waiting for their unemployment assistance. Many Wisconsinites have lost family and friends from COVID-19. We should hold them in our thoughts and prayers.

"Governor Evers has been failing Wisconsin since the start of the pandemic. His administration's response to handling the backlog of Unemployment Insurance claims has been unacceptable. Hardworking Wisconsinites were forced out of work by the Governor's stay-at-home order, while receiving inadequate assistance from his administration.

"I also share the frustration of many Wisconsinites from the administration's lack of preparation in the distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine. There needs to be a comprehensive plan for an efficient dispensing process in the coming months.

"Assembly Republicans worked hard on a second COVID-19 Relief Bill that gives Wisconsinites the relief they deserve. It provides the state proper tools to distribute the coronavirus vaccine, defends businesses with liability protections, prevents government overreach by restricting local health departments, and encourages in-person learning.

"As a new session begins, I will continue with my legislative colleagues to pass legislation that will keep us safe while preserving our conservative values."

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