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## **REP. HINTZ STATEMENT ON REP. CHRIS TAYLOR ANNOUNCEMENT NOT TO SEEK RE-ELECTION**

MADISON – Assembly Democratic Leader Representative Gordon Hintz (D-Oshkosh) released the following statement on the decision by Representative Chris Taylor (D-Madison) to not seek re-election in the 76<sup>th</sup> Assembly District. Rep. Taylor has served in the State Assembly since 2011.

*“Chris Taylor has been a true force as a legislator that could not, and would not be ignored. Her work ethic and commitment to serving her district and advocating on behalf of women’s health, kids, the environment, social justice, and criminal justice is inspiring to many including me. In a job that can test one’s idealism after time, Chris Taylor still brings it every single day.*”

*“Chris has been a valued leader in our caucus since she was elected and her departure will leave a void that will need to be filled. It was a pleasure serving with her on Joint Finance in 2015-16 and working with her the past 9 years. Assembly Democrats thank her for her service to the state.*”

*“Chris Taylor was a fierce advocate for progressive causes before serving, while serving, and will continue to be I am sure, in whatever her next endeavor is.”*

Representative Taylor was first elected in a special election in August 2011, and has been re-elected since 2012. During her time in the legislature, she has served as the ranking member on the Joint Committee on Finance. Rep. Taylor has many legislative accomplishments including working across the aisle to pass good public policy including a first-in-the-nation law requiring outside investigations of deaths involving law enforcement. She also worked to establish open records standards for the use of police body cameras and helped create the address confidentiality program for victims of sexual and domestic violence. Representative Taylor built a legacy as a progressive champion, fighting for issues like strengthening women’s health protections and legalizing medical marijuana.

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