



WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE

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Dear Chair Swearingen, Vice-Chair Vorpagel, and members of legislative leadership:

We are writing to request a public hearing on Assembly Bill 88 in the Committee on State Affairs as soon as possible. Assembly Bill 88 would enact a statewide mask mandate in Wisconsin.

With yesterday's Supreme Court ruling striking down the statewide mask mandate, Wisconsin no longer has any statewide public health orders in place. While our state has continued to shine as a leader in vaccine administration, the Department of Health Services has projected that we will not reach herd immunity until June 2021. With new, more transmissible variants of COVID-19 circulating, now is not the time to let up.

During the debate on Senate Joint Resolution 3, a resolution to end the public health emergency, some proponents of the resolution stated that this was "not about masks" but rather regarding "executive overreach." If this is true, prove it.

Hold a public hearing on legislation to enact a statewide mask mandate. Give the public health experts, scientists, and physicians the opportunity to weigh in. Allow the public to testify.

Senate Joint Resolution 3 passed with bipartisan opposition and no opportunity for the public to weigh in at a public hearing. Now that there is no statewide public health emergency or mask order in Wisconsin, a bipartisan conversation on the benefits of masks during a pandemic is urgent.

We welcome your response and would appreciate the opportunity to discuss this further.

Sincerely,

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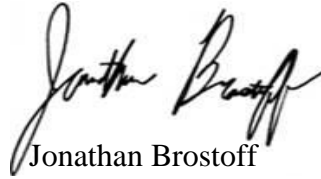
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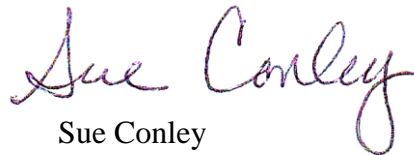
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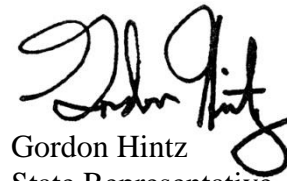
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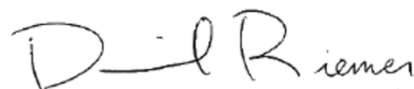
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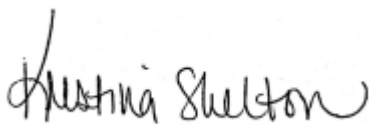
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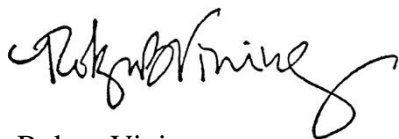
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