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Hesselbein Statement on the State of the Tribes Address

MADISON - Today, President John Johnson Sr. of Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians delivered the 17th annual Wisconsin State of the Tribes address at the Wisconsin State Capitol. Representative Dianne Hesselbein (D-Middleton) issued the following statement in response:

“Thank you to President Johnson for delivering this year’s State of the Tribes address. This is an important tradition in the Wisconsin State Legislature to hear from Wisconsin’s 11 tribal nations. This is an opportunity to recognize the shared values we have and to improve communication between our governments. I sympathize with President Johnson’s remarks about the recent shooting in the Oneida Nation. We have to do more as a community to prevent these tragedies in the future.

“President Johnson spoke about the investments tribal nations have made to the economic, cultural, and agricultural benefit of all Wisconsinites. Our partnership must be rooted in the value of trust and understanding of the history tribal nations have with the land. Today, I heard about important priorities for Wisconsin’s tribal nations, and I look forward to working together in the days ahead.”

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