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Rep. Loudenbeck Receives Dave Duax Award *For Bipartisan Work to Combat Human Trafficking*

Madison –Rep. Amy Loudenbeck (R-Clinton), along with her colleagues Rep. LaTonya Johnson (D-Milwaukee) and Rep. Jill Billings (D-La Crosse), received the Dave Duax Award from Fierce Freedom for their work to combat human trafficking in Wisconsin.

“We are honored to present Rep. Loudenbeck, Rep. Johnson and Rep. Billings with the inaugural Dave Duax Award for Bipartisanship. Mr. Duax spend years working in the political arena to better his community and the state of Wisconsin and this award reflects his ideals of working across party lines to accomplish a goal. The winners of the 2016 Dave Duax Award graciously worked together to make Wisconsin a better place for the children of Wisconsin that have been victims of sex trafficking. We greatly appreciate the work of Rep. Loudenbeck, Rep. Johnson and Rep. Billings in passing Act 367” said Jodi Emerson, Director of Public Policy and Community Relations at Fierce Freedom.

The award was named after Dave Duax, a prominent figure of the Eau Claire area, who passed away in April 2015. He was a staunch supporter of Fierce Freedom and believed in their mission to work at the grassroots level to fight human trafficking. Mr. Duax was a member of the Eau Claire County Board and Eau Claire City Council and also served in Madison under Gov. Tommy Thompson. He believed that working across the aisle made Eau Claire and Wisconsin a better place, and he was an example of a true community leader.

"It is an honor to be recognized by Fierce Freedom with the Dave Duax Award for the bipartisan work that is taking place in the legislature to combat human trafficking in Wisconsin," said Rep. Loudenbeck.

Fierce Freedom was formed to combat human trafficking in west-central Wisconsin. The non-profit organization, based in Eau Claire, aims to educate people, organizations and communities about trafficking-related issues and works with law enforcement members, state legislators and others regarding human trafficking in the Chippewa Valley. For more information, visit their website: <http://www.fiercefreesdom.org/>

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