



STATE REPRESENTATIVE
SUE CONLEY

44TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

JANESVILLE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
May 25, 2021

Contact: Representative Conley
(608) 266-7503

Rep. Conley: Statement on BadgerCare Expansion

MADISON –Today, Governor Tony Evers called Wisconsin lawmakers into special session on BadgerCare expansion. Following the special session, Rep. Conley (D-Janesville) issued the following statement:

“Our state motto is, ‘Forward.’ Today, my colleagues and I had the opportunity to move our state in that direction, and it is truly a disgrace that we did not even discuss the option on the table. Today, we rejected \$1 billion in federal funds. We rejected \$200 million for broadband expansion, \$100 million for lead pipe replacements, and \$100 million for local road and construction projects. We had the opportunity to invest in our state in a meaningful way, and again, Republicans chose not to.

“The COVID-19 pandemic has devastated lives and underscored health disparities among Wisconsinites. People need affordable healthcare more than ever, yet Republicans refuse to accept the federal dollars that their constituents and communities need.

“Wisconsin is an island in the Midwest when it comes to Medicaid expansion. 38 states, including Michigan, Indiana, Iowa and Minnesota, have chosen to move their states forward. Wisconsinites are once again being left behind.”

###