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Politicians attack voters' freedoms and use taxpayer dollars for election review scams

MADISON – Most Wisconsin residents believe that voters should choose our leaders – elected officials do not decide which voter to hear and which to silence. Yet a handful of power-hungry politicians are attacking our freedom to vote by spreading lies about our elections and wasting \$680,000 of taxpayer money to fund their election review scams.

Crucial programs and services are going unfunded while some legislators try to divert our attention from what matters most to voters: transparent, fair, and representative government. The vast majority of voters want our legislators to end this pandemic, approve fair maps, make healthcare affordable and ensure our kids can go to school safely – not frivolous spending on partisan fishing expeditions.

For 101 years the League of Women Voters of Wisconsin has been defending democracy and empowering voters. The record voter turnout in the 2020 presidential election showed the true power of the people and now politicians are trying to take away that power and hold onto it for themselves.

“Rather than attacking voters’ freedoms, our government should provide the information necessary to cast an informed ballot and motivate voters to participate in elections,” said Debra Conmiller, the Executive Director of the League of Women Voters of Wisconsin. “Voting is about access and all efforts to limit this access are an assault on our constitutionally guaranteed voting rights.”

Voters in Wisconsin deserve to be heard. Our voices are saying "let us vote, listen to our needs, enact policies that reflect our will." Voters understand that our elections are administered by our neighbors and trained election officials that we live side by side with. We trust them to count our ballots and keep them safe. No one should jeopardize the integrity of our election processes by

pushing lies and conspiracies, especially at the expense of Wisconsin taxpayers. We need our leaders focused on moving our state forward.

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The League of Women Voters of Wisconsin is a nonpartisan political organization that advocates for informed and active participation in government. There are 20 local Leagues throughout Wisconsin. More information at lwvwi.org.