Candidate Melissa Winker promotes expanded passenger rail at Columbus train station, Wed Sept 30th 4pm

Oconomowoc – Melissa Winker, the Democratic Candidate seeking to unseat Rep. Barb Dittrich (R-Oconomowoc) for Assembly District 38, announced today support for expanding passenger rail as a key factor in helping statewide economic development and mitigating climate change.

“We should first in line when federal transportation funds become available again. We could be a regional powerhouse if we collaborated with our neighboring states and expanded passenger rail service from Chicago to the Twin Cities. The businesses and workers in my district, located on both sides of I-94 between Milwaukee and Madison, would greatly benefit from more transportation options beyond cars and buses. We have the tracks and the trains. What we need are the vision and public will. It is an honor to join with Rep. Deb Kolste (D-Janesville), ranking member of the Assembly Committee on Transportation, at this unique event to raise awareness of the potential of passenger rail.”

The event on Wednesday, September 30th, is an Amtrak ride that starts at 4pm in Columbus, stops Portage, and proceeds to the Wisconsin Dells, ending with a fundraiser at the Kilbourn Public Library in Wisconsin Dells.

For more information about Melissa Winker, please visit www.winkerforwisconsin.com.

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