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## **Taylor Responds to US Supreme Court John Doe Decision**

MADISON – Earlier today, the U.S. Supreme Court declined to take up the appeal in the John Doe investigation. Out of the approximately 7,000 appeals each year, this court only takes about 80 cases. Predicting the cases the U.S. Supreme Court will take has become even more challenging because they are down a justice due to Republican refusal to hold hearings on President Obama’s nomination of esteemed District of Columbia Circuit Court Judge Merrick Garland. Following the announcement, Rep. Chris Taylor (D-Madison) released the following statement:

“Although I am disappointed the U.S. Supreme Court declined to hear this appeal, it is more important than ever to ensure the potential corruption revealed by the documents leaked by *The Guardian* is thoroughly investigated here at home. There are new crimes that have not been considered by any court that need to be looked at that suggest rampant corruption in our electoral and legislative systems. Wisconsin deserves better, and it starts with an immediate and comprehensive examination of these newly revealed potential crimes.”

Last week, Rep. Taylor joined many of her Assembly Democrat colleagues in signing a letter to the Dane County District Attorney calling on him to investigate Governor Walker’s, his campaign committee’s, dark money groups’, and corporate donors’ seeming violation of Wisconsin’s long-standing ban on direct and indirect corporate donations to candidate and candidate committees. The letter outlined various potential violations of Wisconsin’s corporate contribution ban, a potential pay-for-play scheme, and potential ethics violations stemming from Governor Walker’s threat to not fund Wisconsin’s district attorney’s offices should they continue to investigate evidence of corruption.

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