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Rep. Sargent: “Extraordinary” Session an Abhorrent Attack & Detrimental to Democracy

MADISON – State Representative Melissa Sargent (D-Madison) released the following statement in response to Republican’s schemes, and this “extraordinary” session.

“The shenanigans that have taken place at the hands of Republican legislators between Friday November 30th at 4:32pm and today have been an abhorrent attack on our democratic process, and have blatantly ignored the fundamental principle that our government should be for and by the people.

Every step of this process has lacked transparency, deliberation, and cooperation, and above all it has sorely lacked the input of the people. Wisconsin voted on November 6th for a Governor and Attorney General that are committed to moving our state in a positive direction, and yet the out of touch Republicans have continued to ignore the will of the people.

Not only are the policies that the legislature has taken up tonight moving Wisconsin in the wrong direction, but these policies and the process of this ‘extraordinary’ session are detrimental to our democracy. This has been a brazen manipulation of our democratic process and an unethical power grab, and is devastating for the people of Wisconsin who expect their votes to matter and their voices to be heard.

I am extremely disappointed in our government today, and we must do better.”

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Melissa Sargent is a State Representative in the Wisconsin Assembly, representing the 48th Assembly District, which covers the east and north sides of the city of Madison and the village of Maple Bluff.