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MAJORITY LEADER NELSON: STATE STIMULUS PACKAGE
CRITICAL STEP DOWN THE PATH TO ECONOMIC RECOVERY

MADISON – Assembly Majority Leader Thomas Nelson (D-Kaukauna) released this statement following approval of a state stimulus package by the State Assembly.

“There is little doubt about the severity of the economic crisis we face as a state and nation. More people in Wisconsin are out of work right now than anytime in the past two decades. Thousands of Wisconsin families have already lost their homes, and the foreclosure rate continues to race sky-high with no end in sight. From iconic Wisconsin businesses like Harley-Davidson and Miller, to Main Streets in every corner of this state, working families are being racked by this national economic emergency.

“That is why the Assembly took action tonight; passing a state stimulus package that will create jobs, relieve the tax burden on working class families and help Wisconsin businesses weather this economic storm. This is what we were elected to do – get Wisconsin on the path to economic recovery – and this is a critical step in the right direction.”

“Certainly, our work is not done. We have many more months of long nights and hard choices ahead of us, but the Assembly Democrats showed tonight that we are ready to lead the way. We are ready to make the tough decisions today that will move Wisconsin forward toward a better tomorrow.”

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