

MADISON - Assembly Democratic Leader Gordon Hintz (D-Oshkosh) released the following statement Wednesday in response to the Wisconsin Supreme Court's ruling on Governor Evers' public health emergency declarations related to COVID-19:



"I am deeply disappointed in today's decision by conservatives on the Wisconsin Supreme Court. They got it 100% backwards today. The majority's decision pretends that a pandemic is unchanging and ignores the devastating human impact of COVID-19. And it ensures that Wisconsin's response to future pandemics will be more complicated and take more time, which in turn will cost more lives.

"Politics should have no place in responding to a public health emergency. Yet today's decision ensures politics will be front-and-center for all future public health emergencies in our state. I'm relieved and grateful that Wisconsin was protected by Governor Evers over the past year and that we are starting to see the light at the end of the COVID-19 tunnel. But after today's ruling, I fear Wisconsinites' health and safety will be at even greater risk in the future."