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MILWAUKEE - Milwaukee and Dane Democratic Party County Chairs Christopher Walton and Michael Basford released a statement slamming Assembly Speaker Robin Vos for his remarks saying that state legislative maps weren’t meant to represent Milwaukee & Madison.

“Speaker Vos is even more tone deaf than we ever thought possible. He had the audacity to say that the state isn’t gerrymandered because, "If you took Madison and Milwaukee out of the formula, we (republicans) would have a clear majority." Milwaukee and Madison are as much part of Wisconsin as Racine, Onalaska, Green Bay, and Plover.

How frankly racist of the Speaker to say that if you get rid of the areas where about 95% of the African American people in the state live we’d have a Republican state legislature. But we all know that erasure is primary focus of the Republican Party platform.

As the Chairs of the Democratic Parties of Milwaukee and Dane Counties, We believe that the voters of Wisconsin on Tuesday clearly relegated the politics of 'divide and conquer' to the dustbin of history. If Robin Vos spent more time listening to all voters in Wisconsin than

continuing to further divide Wisconsinite against Wisconsinite, perhaps his party wouldn't need this extreme gerrymandering to hold onto what power it has left. Speaker Vos work with Governor-Elect Evers to build a bipartisan partnership rather than continue that divide and conquer politics of the last 8 years.”

Signed:

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