

## WisDems Issue Statement After Republican Legislature Strikes Down Protective Mask Mandate

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MADISON - After the Wisconsin Assembly Republicans voted to strike down the protective mask mandate, **Democratic Party of Wisconsin Chair Ben Wikler** issued this statement:

“Wisconsinites will lose their lives because of the actions of Robin Vos and Wisconsin’s Republican state legislators. Striking down COVID protections, in defiance of top scientists and the CDC, will make this pandemic worse and undermine our economy, our schools, and our health. Governor Evers issued these protections to protect people against COVID-19, and the GOP has torched them only to hurt Governor Evers. Nearly 6,000 Wisconsinites have lost their lives to this pandemic. What Robin Vos is doing is cruel and disrespectful to their families, and to the millions more who fear that the virus will take their loved ones. The Republican vote to repeal this mask mandate is reckless and dangerous to the people of Wisconsin.”