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September 01, 2020

The Hon. Robin Vos  
Speaker of the House  
Wisconsin State Assembly  
State Capitol Room 211 West  
PO Box 8953  
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Speaker Vos:

On August 10, 2020, State Representative David Bowen issued a press statement on official state letterhead, regarding an incident that he was present at, on August 8, 2020 in Wauwatosa.

On that date a group of people who refer to themselves as "The People's Revolution," including Mr. Bowen went to the residence of a Wauwatosa Police Officer, Joseph Mensah, and proceeded to verbally attack him, physically assault him, and trespass on his property. A shot was fired in Mensah's direction into his house from a shotgun.

Representative Bowen actively participated during this incident and claimed the officer's statements were not factual. He accused not only the officer but also the Wauwatosa Police Department of issuing a false statement. He further claimed that Officer Mensah caused the entire problem. That is not true. Mr. Bowen lied in his publicly issued statement.

For almost a week following the incident, our investigators attempted to contact Mr. Bowen to give us information since he claimed to be a witness. He did not acknowledge our attempts to contact him. In fact, he had his attorney contact us and advise that he would not give a statement.

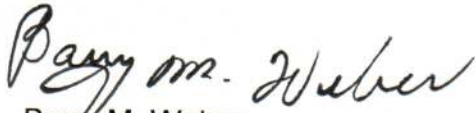
The person who fired the weapon at Officer Mensah was subsequently identified by our investigators, was arrested and confessed to the actions that he took. The weapon was also recovered after a search warrant was issued.

Mr. Bowen was also an active participant at an unlawful gathering in front of my home that occurred the previous night, August 7, 2020.

I find the conduct of Mr. Bowen to be appalling and disgusting. He has made a mockery of our system of law and order in Wisconsin and has brought disgrace to the office in which he serves.

Sir, I request that this matter be brought to the attention of the membership and that disciplinary action up to and including expulsion be considered.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barry M. Weber". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Barry M. Weber  
Chief of Police