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### **STATEMENT ON LEGISLATOR HARDWICK**

Today's news about Legislator Hardwick's decision to leave the Republican Party, while disappointing, is not too surprising. His decision to again betray the taxpayers by joining forces with tax and spend Democrats like Marc Polancarz was the last straw for many. While he may consider himself a maverick, our committee members see him as an opportunist. I look forward to supporting a strong, principled conservative during the upcoming campaign to replace Kevin Hardwick.

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