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## **Walker and GOP Trample on Constitutional Rights**

(MADISON) – Yesterday, the Republican Party of Wisconsin, led by Scott Walker, released a statement in which they declared their suspicion of democratic gubernatorial candidate Andy Gronik. In their statement members of the Republican Party challenged Gronik for working with individuals they deemed unqualified to participate in the electoral process.

In response to the statement, Senator Lena Taylor (D-Milwaukee) issued the following comments:

"The Wisconsin Republican Party and Scott Walker consistently attempt to trample on the rights of others. Whether it's access to the ballot, redistricting or participation in the electoral process, their tactics are the same: keep as many people out as possible, and remove the dissenting voices."

"It's appalling to me that someone who committed a felony can serve their time, pay their debt to society, and in their attempt to reintegrate into society, *still* have Republicans try to deny them their constitutional rights. Maybe someone needs to remind the GOP of Wisconsin Statute 304, which reinstates a felon's right to vote after completion of their term of imprisonment or probation."

"Andy Gronik has chosen to engage all of Wisconsin's residents. Scott Walker and Wisconsin's Republican Party are more focused on engaging with special interests. Calling out someone's criminal history is down-right fear mongering."

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