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to me

Hey Tom,

I'm sorry for the delay here.

There are a couple of different proof points. Please see below and let me know if you have any questions.

I also want to note the World Health Organization's definition of "gender affirmative health care":

"Gender-affirmative health care can include any single or combination of a number of social, psychological, behavioural or medical (including hormonal treatment or surgery) interventions designed to support and affirm an individual's gender identity."

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In November 2023, Tammy Baldwin co-sponsored a resolution supporting gender-affirming care for children. "Whereas the pressure some State legislatures have pushed on State and local authorities to treat gender-affirming health care as child abuse has led to a spike in bullying and assault in schools, worsening mental health among transgender youth and adults, and parents who are afraid their children will be deprived of medical care or be removed from their homes" (S. Res. 464, 11/15/23)

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Tammy Baldwin praised Tony Evers on X when he criticized the Wisconsin State Assembly for passing a bill which banned transgender surgery in Wisconsin for minors. "Trans kids deserve

to feel safe and welcome in Wisconsin, not discriminated against. They deserve the freedom to just be kids, play sports, and get the health care they need, all without politicians butting in. Thanks for standing up for LGBTQ+ kids, @GovEvers." (Twitter, SenatorBaldwin, 10/4/23)

- **In the speech Baldwin shared, Evers promised to veto the a Wisconsin Assembly bill that called for gender conversion surgery for minors to be banned.** "Assembly Republicans made their intentions clear Oct. 4, holding hearings on three separate bills aimed at restricting the rights of transgender youth in Wisconsin. The set of bills seeks to ban transgender youth from participating in high school and collegiate athletic teams that align with their gender identity and ban gender-affirming health care for transgender youth. Even if approved by the Assembly and Senate, the bills would almost certainly be vetoed by Democratic Gov. Tony Evers…The trio of bills are destined to be vetoed by Gov. Evers, who met with opponents of the bill Wednesday afternoon and vowed again to reject the legislation should it reach his desk. 'I know you're here because you're pissed off and you want to stop it,' Evers said. 'And you will stop it and I'll help you stop it.'" (Erin McGroarty, Andrew Bahl and Scott Girard, "Anti-transgender rights bills draw heat at Wisconsin Capitol, *The Cap Times*, 10/4/23)

- **Evers later in 2023 vetoed the bill which would have banned the surgeries, "including puberty blockers and hormone treatment using estrogen and testosterone," for minors.** "MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Democratic Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers on Wednesday vetoed a bill that sought to outlaw gender-affirming care for minors. The veto was expected from Evers, who has vowed to strike down any proposals from the Republican-controlled Wisconsin Legislature that he deems harmful to LGBTQ+ youth. The bill, which was passed by the Legislature in October, would have banned gender-affirming surgeries, which are rare, as well as all forms of gender-affirming care for minors in Wisconsin, including puberty blockers and hormone treatment using estrogen and testosterone." (Harm Venhuizen, "Democratic Wisconsin governor vetoes bill to ban gender-affirming care for kids," *Associated Press*, 12/6/23)

    - **"'Protecting children from invasive and irreversible medical interventions is the right thing to do from a scientific and ethical standpoint,' the bill's lead Republican sponsor, Sen. Duey Stroebel, said during debate."** (Harm Venhuizen,

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- **The bill would have prohibited for minors, "Performing a surgery that sterilizes an individual," "Puberty-blocking drugs to stop or delay normal puberty," "Supraphysiologic doses of testosterone or other androgens to biological females," and "Supraphysiologic doses of estrogen to biological males."**

("2023 Assembly BILL 465," Wisconsin State Legislature, Text, Introduced 9/29/23)

- **Evers vetoed the bill on December 6th, 2023.**

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In 2023, Baldwin was honored at a gala alongside a radical transgender activist family that has spoken out in favor of "children's access to puberty blockers and hormone therapy."

"Wisconsin Democrat Sen. Tammy Baldwin is set to be honored by an LGBTQ+ group and speak alongside transgender activists who have lobbied for children accessing puberty blockers and against restricting bathroom use for transgender individuals… That time, the family attended to lobby against a bill that would ban children's access to puberty blockers and hormone therapy. The transgender advocates in attendance argued that if the bill were to pass, they would have to move or travel outside of Texas for their children to 'get the care they need.'" (Joe Schoffstall, "Democrat senator to keynote LGBT luncheon honoring advocates of gender transitioning for children," *Fox News*, 10/6/23)