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Supervisor Patti Logsdon Celebrates Yaskawa America's New Franklin Headquarters

MILWAUKEE – Milwaukee County Supervisor Patti Logsdon joined Governor Tony Evers, WEDC leadership, Yaskawa America executives, Franklin Mayor John Nelson, and dozens of community partners on June 13 for a landmark announcement: Yaskawa America's \$180 million investment and relocation of its North American headquarters to Franklin, Wisconsin.

The event marked the culmination of months of coordination between state officials, local government, and the company's leadership. Yaskawa will consolidate its Illinois and Wisconsin operations into a single 800,000-square-foot campus over the next decade, bringing more than 700 high-paying jobs to southeastern Wisconsin. Supervisor Logsdon noted:

"It was a privilege to attend the event with Governor Evers, Missy Hughes from WEDC, and Mike Knapek of Yaskawa and to celebrate this commitment to our region's future." She added, "I was proud to represent the County Board in person and offer my heartfelt thanks to everyone who made today possible.

"I'd also like to give a special shout-out to former Franklin Mayor Steve Olson, whose good working relationship with Missy Hughes and Mike Knapek and early outreach laid the groundwork for today's announcement. Today wouldn't have been possible without his efforts."

Key highlights from the press conference included:

- 700+ New Jobs: Positions in advanced manufacturing, robotics, and support services.
- **\$180 Million Investment:** Funding for headquarters, training facilities, and production lines.
- Enterprise Zone Tax Credits: Up to \$18 million in performance-based state incentives.
- **Regional Impact:** Strengthening southeastern Wisconsin's reputation as a leader in automation and advanced manufacturing.