

Obey Says Democrats Must Avoid 'Suicide Pact'

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(AP) Former U.S. Rep. Dave Obey says Wisconsin Democrats must unite against Republican Gov. Scott Walker and not form a "suicide pact" by attacking one another in the primary race. Obey spoke Wednesday on a conference call arranged by Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett. Obey supports Barrett. His chief rival, Kathleen Falk, has been attacking Barrett more aggressively this week leading up to the May 8 primary. Obey says the only way Democrats can make credible arguments to defeat Walker in the June 5 election is to earn the trust of Democrats, independents and Republicans and avoid "petty sniping." He says Democrats are the underdogs in the recall and they face an uphill battle against Walker because of all the money he has raised. Falk spokesman Scot Ross did not immediately respond.