

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting the state, and fire presents a serious public safety concern, especially within the home; and

WHEREAS; according to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), in 2024, fires were responsible for an estimated 3,920 civilian deaths across the United States, and 75 percent of these fatalities occurred at home; and

WHEREAS; further, an estimated \$11.4 billion in property damage accumulated nationally as a result of fire, including multi-billion dollar losses due to wildland-urban interface related fires; and

WHEREAS; Community Risk Reduction is a data-informed, multi-stakeholder process to identify and prioritize local fire and medical risks that also engages an integrated and strategic investment of resources to decrease their occurrence and alleviate their impact within communities; and

WHEREAS; the goal of Community Risk Reduction is to increase public safety, awareness, and emergency preparedness for community members and emergency response professionals through concerted action in the areas of the “five E’s” of risk reduction: education, engineering, enforcement, emergency response, and economic incentive; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin commends all first responders and fire service professionals across the state who are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of all-hazard risks, injuries, and damages, and appreciates the value of community support from local, state, and national partners to address public safety

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim January 19 – 25 2026 as

COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION WEEK

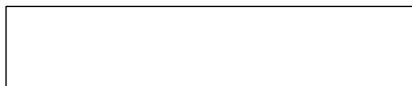
throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance
to all our state’s residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 5th day of January 2026.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State