WHEREAS; according to the U.S. Department of Defense, in the United States, there are over two million military family members that serve as a crucial support system for the nation's service members; and

WHEREAS; military mothers take many forms, including mothers, stepmothers, grandmothers, foster mothers, and legal guardians who have children who served or who are serving in the military, guard, or reserves; and

WHEREAS; Blue Star Mothers of America Inc. and its Wisconsin chapters work to support not only the needs of service members through outreach, rehabilitation, and volunteering but also the social and emotional needs of military families and mothers through expansive support networks and assistance programs; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in thanking Blue Star Mothers across the state for their service and celebrating their strength, resilience, sacrifice, and contributions to their communities and nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim February 1, 2024, as

BLUE STAR MOTHER'S DAY

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 22nd day of December 2023.
TONY EVERS, Governor
By the Governor:
SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State