

WHEREAS; Marfan syndrome is a genetic connective tissue condition that can involve many parts of the body, including the heart, blood vessels, eyes, bones, joints, and lungs that, under certain conditions, can become life-threatening; and

WHEREAS; Marfan syndrome can result in varying degrees of disability, pain, and musculoskeletal issues, often leading to a lifelong series of multi-system health problems; and

WHEREAS; according to the National Library of Medicine, an estimated one in 5,000 individuals worldwide are born with Marfan syndrome; and

WHEREAS; while advances in medicine have improved management of the condition, the number and severity of symptoms can differ greatly among affected individuals, resulting in Marfan syndrome often being misdiagnosed or under-diagnosed, which can delay timely treatments that are essential to ensuring affected individuals have a satisfactory quality of life; and

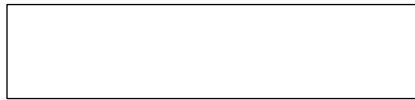
WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins individuals with Marfan syndrome, their families, and advocates across the state in raising awareness of Marfan syndrome to achieve timely diagnoses and effective treatments for all those affected by the condition;

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

MARFAN SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH

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 2nd day of February 2024.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State