

WHEREAS; from removing waste and toxins to supporting the regulation of blood pressure, the production of red blood cells, and building bone health, healthy kidneys are a critical component of overall health and wellness; and

WHEREAS; according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, kidney diseases are a leading cause of death in the United States, and while it is estimated that more than 37 million adults nationwide have chronic kidney disease, most are unaware of their condition; and

WHEREAS; according to the National Kidney Foundation, one in three adults in the United States are at risk of kidney disease, with risk factors including diabetes, heart disease, high blood pressure, obesity, and family history of kidney disease, and people who are Black, Hispanic, or Latino are at a further increased risk; and

WHEREAS; kidney diseases can be delayed or prevented with proper care, and advances in diagnosis, treatments, and procedures like medication management, dialysis, and transplantation create opportunities for patients to live longer after diagnosis; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins Wisconsinites in raising awareness of kidney diseases and encouraging individuals to maintain their kidney health by eating well, drinking plenty of fluids, practicing healthy lifestyle habits, and communicating with their healthcare providers about their potential risk factors for kidney disease;

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

## **NATIONAL KIDNEY MONTH**

and March 14 2024 as

## **WORLD KIDNEY 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 2nd day of February 2024.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State