

WHEREAS; Wisconsin has a proud history of maple syrup production and is home to a thriving community of industry professionals who produce hundreds of thousands of gallons of maple syrup every year; and

WHEREAS; underscoring Wisconsin's deep connection and commitment to the maple syrup industry, the sugar maple has been the official state tree since 1949; and

WHEREAS; with thousands of maple producers operating upwards of 985,000 taps, Wisconsin ranks fourth among the leading maple syrup-producing states in the nation and is a leader in the value of maple syrup production, yielding a significant economic impact to the state each year, according to data from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA); and

WHEREAS; according to the USDA, Wisconsinites produced 402,000 gallons of maple syrup in 2023, contributing directly to the economic, culinary, and cultural values of the state; and

WHEREAS; the first "tree tapping" of the year in Wisconsin is happening at Glenna Farms in Amery, Wisconsin, on March 16, 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim March 15 through April 15 2024 as

## **MAPLE MONTH**

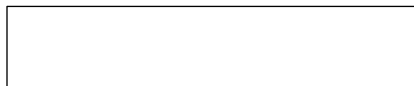
throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.

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 23rd day of February 2024.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State