

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*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 – 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*  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

*Sarah Godlewski*  
SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State