

WHEREAS; according to the American Heart Association, lipoprotein (a), also known as Lp(a), is a widely undetected genetically inherited low-density lipoprotein that causes an increased risk for heart disease; and

WHEREAS; Cleveland Clinic estimates that approximately 20 percent of all people worldwide are living with high Lp(a) levels, including many Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; while Lp(a) can affect anyone, risk factors include having a family history of high Lp(a), premature heart disease, or hypercholesterolemia, with women over 50, Black, and South Asian populations often being the most impacted, according to the American Heart Association; and

WHEREAS; many individuals with high Lp(a) levels do not experience symptoms, and while Lp(a) is not included in most cholesterol tests, high Lipoprotein(a) can be identified via a simple blood test, underscoring the value of early screening and regular blood tests; and

WHEREAS; maintaining healthy lifestyle habits, including practicing regular physical activity, eating healthy, getting sufficient sleep, managing a healthy weight, and avoiding tobacco products, are important for individuals with high Lp(a) to reduce the risk of heart disease; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins affected individuals and their families, along with dedicated advocates and organizations across the state, in encouraging all Wisconsinites to become familiar with their family's heart history and to take the necessary steps to ensure their health and well-being

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim March 24 2026 as

LIPOPROTEIN (A) AWARENESS 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 9th day of March 2026.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State