WHEREAS; according to the Cleveland Clinic, amniotic fluid embolism (AFE) is a condition in which amniotic fluid, the water-like substance that surrounds and protects a fetus during pregnancy, enters an individual's bloodstream just before, during, or immediately after childbirth; and

WHEREAS; AFE is a rare, life-threatening complication that, according to a study published by the National Library of Medicine, contributes to nearly eight percent of maternal deaths in the United States, and those who survive often face substantial neurological, pulmonary, and cardiovascular issues; and

WHEREAS; while the cause of AFE remains largely undetermined, organizations and healthcare professionals remain dedicated to data collection and research surrounding AFE to develop effective treatments for the condition; and

WHEREAS; the need to improve the state's maternal care systems is critical and must be addressed with the urgency it deserves and requires, and initiatives to support positive outcomes for all families across the state, including postpartum care and maternal and infant mortality preventive measures, must be a top priority; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin remains committed to ensuring the health and well-being of all mothers and babies and joins families affected by AFE, as well as dedicated medical professionals, advocates, and organizations, in raising awareness of AFE and in supporting research to find an effective treatment to save lives;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim March 27 2025 as

AMNIOTIC FLUID EMBOLISM 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. Don 2025.	te at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 6th day of Marc
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