

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; Arab Americans make valuable contributions to every aspect of American society—including medicine, law, business, education, technology, government, military service, and culture—and make their communities, the state, and the nation stronger; and

*WHEREAS*; individuals and families of Arab descent have resided in Wisconsin since the 19th century and have contributed greatly to the state's history, culture, and economy throughout the years, sharing their rich cultures, traditions, and diversity of faith and creed with neighbors, friends, and communities; and

*WHEREAS*; unfortunately, the history of Arab Americans in the United States is often neglected or defaced by misconceptions, bigotry, and anti-Arab hate, and the celebration of Arab American ancestry and cultural heritage through education, awareness, and meaningful action can reduce bullying, hate, and discrimination throughout all aspects of life; and

*WHEREAS*; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in denouncing all forms of hate, celebrating diversity, recognizing the many contributions of Arab American communities across the state and country, and working towards a Wisconsin that is welcoming and inclusive for all;

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

## ARAB AMERICAN HERITAGE 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 24th day  
of March 2025.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tony Evers".  
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TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sarah Godlewski".  
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SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State

