

WHEREAS; every organ donor can save up to eight lives and positively impact over 75 more through tissue and cornea donation; and

WHEREAS; according to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, currently, there are more than 1,500 Wisconsinites—and more than 100,000 people nationwide—on the national waitlist for an organ transplant, and every day, upwards of 10 people die waiting for a transplant; and

WHEREAS; nearly every person in Wisconsin has the potential to be a hero and can register to be an organ, tissue, and eye donor online or at their local Division of Motor Vehicles; and

WHEREAS; a testament to the life-saving work of organ procurement organizations and countless registered organ donors across the country, 2025 was the fifth record-breaking year for organ transplants in the U.S., with over 49,000 organs transplanted, according to the United Network for Organ Sharing; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin honors the nearly 3 million registered organ, tissue, and eye donors across the state for their generosity, and encourages all eligible Wisconsinites to register as donors, support local blood drives, and give the gift of life through donation;

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

## **NATIONAL DONATE LIFE 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 March 2026.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State