

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; Sjögren's disease is a serious and systemic autoimmune disease that affects an individual's ability to effectively regulate body moisture, causing excessive and unusual dryness; and

WHEREAS; Sjögren's affects the eyes, mouth, vascular system, lungs, kidneys, skin, nervous system, and reproductive system, while also causing other serious complications, such as profound fatigue, joint pain, skin rashes, and most commonly, dry mouth and eyes; and

WHEREAS; currently, there are millions of Americans living with Sjögren's disease, including many in Wisconsin, making it one of the most common rheumatic autoimmune diseases in the United States; and

WHEREAS; while anyone can develop Sjögren's disease, the cause remains unknown, and there is no single test to diagnose the disease, emphasizing the need for more research and clinical trials to understand the pathology of the disease and the efficacy of certain therapies to treat it; and

WHEREAS; as there is currently no known cure, treatment is often centered around symptom management and prevention, and individuals living with Sjögren's disease and their families often carry a large share of the burden in finding a medical expert, funding research, and raising public awareness; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins dedicated individuals, advocates, and organizations across the state in raising awareness and understanding of Sjögren's disease to promote research, improve patient outcomes, and ultimately find a cure;

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

SJÖGREN'S AWARENESS 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 2026.

Tony Evers
TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Sarah Godlewski
SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State