WHEREAS; Lesbian Visibility Week is internationally observed to recognize and uplift the vibrant diversity and contributions of lesbian, queer, and nonbinary individuals to communities; and

WHEREAS; this year's theme, "Celebrating Rainbow Families," underscores the importance of supporting the unique experiences of LGBTQ parents, partners, kids, and families, while recognizing the systemic barriers they face, including discrimination, stereotyping, and lack of support and resources that can harm families; and

WHEREAS; it is essential to recognize the diverse experiences and identities within the lesbian community that make each person's lived experience unique, including intersecting identities such as gender, race, class, and ability; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins the LGBTQ community and Wisconsinites across the state in celebrating Lesbian Visibility Week, in recognizing that diversity makes the state stronger, and in reaffirming the state's commitment to ensuring that every Wisconsinite is welcome and can stand boldly in their truth without fear of persecution, judgment, or discrimination;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim April 21 through 27 2025 as

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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 2025.	at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 18th day of April
TONY EVERS, Governor	
By the Governor:	
SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State	