WHEREAS; Infant Immunization Week is an annual observance that highlights the necessity and positive impact of vaccinations on the lives of infants and kids; and

WHEREAS; starting at birth, kids require a series of vaccinations to be fully protected from once-endemic, potentially deadly, and debilitating diseases, such as measles, mumps, diphtheria, polio, tetanus, hepatitis B, rotavirus, and chickenpox; and

WHEREAS; on-time vaccinations are a safe and effective way to protect kids from preventable diseases, especially those who are unable to receive certain vaccines due to age or compromised immune systems; and

WHEREAS; all kids have the right to grow up healthy, no matter their family's socioeconomic status or ZIP code, which is why the Wisconsin Vaccines for Children program has worked with participating healthcare providers to reduce economic barriers to immunization across the state, providing no-cost vaccines to kids who might not otherwise have access; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin recognizes and celebrates the healthcare professionals and public health officials who are working to promote vaccine education, ensure and expand access to services such as the state's immunization registry, and encourage families to make plans for their kids to receive their recommended vaccinations on schedule;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim April 21 through 28 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 at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 18th day of April 2025.
TONY EVERS, Governor
By the Governor:
SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State