

# STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

## Proclamation

*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, "Unified, Not Uniform," underscores the importance of community unity while recognizing the unique experiences of LGBTQ women and nonbinary individuals who often face discrimination, harmful stereotyping, and a lack of support, reassurance, and acceptance from friends, family, and communities; and

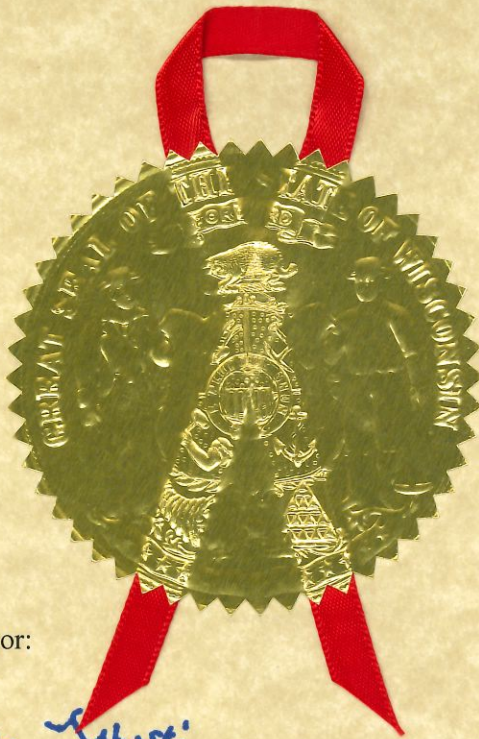
*WHEREAS*; it is essential to recognize the diversity of experiences and identities within the lesbian community that make each person's lived experience unique, including intersecting identities such as gender, race, class, and ability; and

*WHEREAS*; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins the LGBTQ community and folks across the state in celebrating diverse lesbian identities, 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 22 – 28, 2024, as

### LESBIAN VISIBILITY WEEK

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 16th day of April 2024.

*Tony Evers*  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

*Sarah Godlewski*  
SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State