WHEREAS; according to the Tennis Industry Association, more than 23.8 million Americans played tennis in 2023, which represents an increase of 250,000 players from 2022 and a 34 percent increase in participation relative to 2019; and

WHEREAS; tennis is a sport that can be played throughout one's life and has immense health, social, and educational benefits, and making the sport accessible to everyone—regardless of age, environment, condition, or ability—is essential; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins players, organizations, facilities, retailers, manufacturers, and more to promote local programs and activities that showcase tennis, raise awareness of the sport and its potential benefits, and help players and non-players alike find courts and opportunities to play in their communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 2024 as

NATIONAL TENNIS 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 19th day of April 2024.
TONY EVERS, Governor
By the Governor:
SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State