

WHEREAS; resilience is the ability to adapt and bounce back from adversity; and

WHEREAS; Resilient Wisconsin, an initiative of the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, engages with partners and works across systems to “help the helper” by providing education, resources, and tools that address a wide range of traumatic experiences at both individual and systems levels; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsinites are helpers by nature, always ready to take care of others both formally and informally, and in both personal and professional capacities; and

WHEREAS; as helpers, many Wisconsinites are exposed to various forms of trauma and toxic stress, which can vary based on context and the different circumstances faced by individuals across our state; and

WHEREAS; through DHS and Resilient Wisconsin, virtual trainings for first responders and caregivers are publicly available for individuals and organizations to use in building trauma-informed agencies and services; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin recognizes that resilience does not mean having to endure challenges alone and that the key to a stronger, healthier, and more connected future for the state lies in promoting supportive relationships and ensuring that every Wisconsinite knows that it is okay to ask for help and that help is available to them;

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

## **RESILIENT WISCONSIN MONTH**

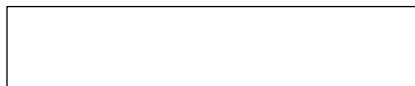
throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state’s residents.

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