

# STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; celiac disease is one of the most prevalent genetic autoimmune diseases worldwide, affecting millions of people in the United States—many of whom are undiagnosed; and

*WHEREAS*; in individuals with celiac disease, ingesting gluten causes the body to attack its own small intestine, which can lead to other devastating health conditions, including various cancers; and

*WHEREAS*; celiac disease currently has no cure or medication treatment option, with the only existing treatment being a lifelong, strict gluten-free diet; and

*WHEREAS*; research suggests that many people with celiac disease who adhere to a gluten-free diet nevertheless continue to experience symptoms and intestinal damage, underscoring the need for improved treatments; and

*WHEREAS*; today, the state of Wisconsin joins all affected individuals, as well as dedicated advocates and organizations across the state in spreading awareness of celiac disease in the hopes that advancements in research and medicine will lead to improved treatments and eventually a cure;

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

## CELIAC DISEASE AWARENESS 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 22nd day of  
April 2024.

  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

  
SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State