

# STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; according to the National Library of Medicine (NLBM), approximately 1,000 deaths in the United States are the result of electrical injuries per year, and almost all are accidental and often preventable; and

*WHEREAS*; according to the NLBM, nearly 20 percent of all electrical injuries occur in children, while electrical injuries are also the fourth-leading cause of workplace-related deaths, underscoring the need for electrical safety precautions in the home and workplace; and

*WHEREAS*; Wisconsinites are encouraged to inspect their homes and workplaces for possible electrical hazards and use safety technology such as ground-fault circuit interrupters, tamper-resistant receptacles, and other devices as appropriate; and

*WHEREAS*; ensuring that all members of the household and workplace are familiar with the sounds of their smoke alarms and that emergency alarms meet the needs of those with physical or sensory disabilities can help reduce electrical-related injuries and deaths; and

*WHEREAS*; this month, the state of Wisconsin commends the first responders, organizations, and advocates across the state who are dedicated to reducing electrical injuries and encourages all Wisconsin to take steps to improve their electrical safety practices;

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

### ELECTRICAL SAFETY 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 17th day of April 2024.

*Tony Evers*  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

*Sarah Godlewski*  
SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State