

WHEREAS; 5P-/cri du chat syndrome is a rare chromosomal disorder that results from a missing portion of chromosome number five in affected individuals and is characterized by a high-pitched cry in infancy, low birth weight, poor muscle tone, and microcephaly, among other potential medical and developmental complications; and

WHEREAS; according to the Cleveland Clinic, approximately 50 to 60 babies in the United States are born with 5P-/cri du chat syndrome every year, affecting hundreds of families across the country, including many in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; with ongoing support from parents and guardians, loved ones, therapists, and other medical and educational professionals, kids diagnosed with 5P-/cri du chat syndrome can reach their full potential and live fulfilling and meaningful lives; and

WHEREAS; every year, one of the main goals of 5P-/Cri Du Chat Syndrome Awareness Month and Day is to end the spread of outdated misinformation to families when their child is diagnosed with the condition and to promote further education and research; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins dedicated individuals, families, advocates, and organizations from around the world in raising awareness of 5P-/cri du chat syndrome and in supporting affected families in Wisconsin and beyond;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim May 2026 as

5P-/CRI DU CHAT SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH

And May 5th 2026 as

5P-/CRI DU CHAT SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY

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 23rd day of April 2026.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State