WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin acknowledges the connection between physical activity and academic success and recognizes that biking to school is a great way for kids, families, and community members to experience the outdoors and get exercise; and

WHEREAS; by offering an opportunity for physical activity while reducing air pollution from vehicle emissions, biking to school encourages healthy habits, mental and physical well-being, and a clean environment while supporting safer and healthier communities overall; and

WHEREAS; National Bike to School Day is an annual celebration that encourages biking to school and generates awareness of the significance of creating and preserving safe and accessible walking and bike paths in communities throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin encourages students, families, and community members to commute by bike and joins communities across the state in supporting a commitment to increasing equitable, safe, and accessible biking opportunities for all Wisconsinites;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 2023 as

NATIONAL BIKE TO SCHOOL 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 19th day of May 2023.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State