

WHEREAS; every Wisconsinite should be able to trust that the water from their tap is clean, safe, and free of contaminants regardless of their ZIP code; and

WHEREAS; since Day One, ensuring access to clean drinking water has been a top public health priority for the Evers Administration, from declaring 2019 the Year of Clean Drinking Water and launching the PFAS Action Council to supporting wetland restoration and producer-led watershed programming to expanding resources to repair or replace contaminated private wells; and

WHEREAS; despite ongoing efforts to continue improving water quality in Wisconsin, including investments to replace private wells and lead service lines, improve testing and remediation, and prevent contamination, safe and clean drinking water is not always a reality for many Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; cleaning up Wisconsin’s water is a key part of the state’s work to keep kids and families across Wisconsin healthy and safe, and especially during 2025 the Year of the Kid, investments to get lead out of service lines, bubblers, schools, homes, and child care centers is a top priority; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin must continue to fund restoration projects, keep science at the forefront of research and policymaking, and work together at all levels of government to address issues of water contamination, including efforts to protect drinking water from PFAS, lead, nitrate, and other harmful contaminants; and

WHEREAS; this week and throughout the Year of the Kid, the state of Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to preventing and addressing water contamination and working to guarantee safe, clean, and reliable drinking water for folks and families across Wisconsin;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim
May 4 – 10 2025 as

DRINKING WATER WEEK

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 6th day of May 2025.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State