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 low birth weight, a high-pitched cry in infancy, poor muscle tone, and microcephaly, among other potential medical and developmental complications, according to the National Library of Medicine; and

WHEREAS; Cleveland Clinic estimates that 5P-/cri du chat syndrome occurs in approximately one in 15,000 to one in 50,000 births and affects hundreds of families across the country, including many in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; with ongoing support from parents and loved ones, therapists, and other medical and educational professionals, children diagnosed with 5P-/cri du chat syndrome are able to reach their full potential and live their most independent, fulfilling, and meaningful lives; and

WHEREAS; every year, a goal of 5P-/Cri du Chat Syndrome Awareness Day is to end the spread of outdated misinformation to families when their child is diagnosed with the condition and to promote further education and research; and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 5 2024 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

TONY EVERS, Governor
By the Governor:
SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State