

STATE of WISCONSIN



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Proclamation

WHEREAS; according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, lung cancer is the third most common cancer and the leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States, with the American Lung Association estimating that someone is diagnosed with the disease every two minutes; and

WHEREAS; early detection of lung cancer can result in better treatment options and an increased rate of survival, especially among high-risk populations, which underscores the importance of raising awareness of symptoms, risk factors, and screening options; and

WHEREAS; according to the American Lung Association's State of Lung Cancer 2023 Report, racial and ethnic minority groups are less likely to be diagnosed early, less likely to receive surgical treatment, and more likely to not receive any treatment when compared to their white counterparts; and

WHEREAS; lung cancer screening saves lives, and public support for research funding will result in new treatments and better methods of early detection; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins dedicated advocates and organizations in spreading awareness of lung cancer and its risk factors, the importance of early detection, and the critical need to provide all affected Wisconsinites with quality treatment, regardless of age, race, background, or ZIP code;


NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 6 – 12, 2024, as

LUNG CANCER ACTION 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 3rd day of May 2024.


TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:


SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State