

# STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS*, IgA nephropathy, also known as IgAN or Berger's disease, is a kidney disorder characterized by the buildup of immunoglobulin A, affecting the normal filtering mechanisms in the kidneys; and

*WHEREAS*, while the two most common causes of kidney disease are hypertension and diabetes, another cause of kidney disease is glomerulonephritis, which can be a result of certain autoimmune diseases, such as IgAN; and

*WHEREAS*, although there is currently no known cure for IgAN, lifestyle alterations and treatments are available to help manage symptoms and improve the quality of life of individuals living with the disease; and

*WHEREAS*, the only test that can definitively diagnose IgAN is a kidney biopsy, and individuals and families affected by IgAN often experience additional challenges beyond the symptoms of their condition, such as delays in diagnosis, difficulty finding a medical expert, and limited access to or difficulty affording treatments or ancillary services; and

*WHEREAS*, today, the state of Wisconsin joins dedicated advocates and organizations throughout the state in raising awareness of IgAN, supporting affected individuals and their families, and embracing hope that further research will lead to improved diagnoses, treatments, and eventually, a cure;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 14, 2026, as

### IGAN 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 7th day of May 2026.

TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR



By the Governor:

  
SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State