

WHEREAS; national Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Day Against Bullying and Hate is an opportunity to reflect on and speak out against violence and discrimination towards Wisconsin's diverse, vibrant, and resilient Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities; and

WHEREAS; observed annually on May 18, the birthday of Vincent Chin, who was murdered in a hate crime, AAPI Day Against Bullying and Hate provides an opportunity for all Wisconsinites to pursue empathy, promote civility, and stand up against bigotry; and

WHEREAS; since the coronavirus pandemic, Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities have faced a rise in bullying, discrimination, and hate throughout the nation, including in Wisconsin, and in 2020, the Federal Bureau of Investigation reported there was a 77 percent increase in anti-Asian incidents since 2019; and

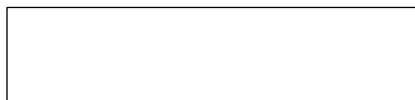
WHEREAS; today, the state joins all Wisconsinites in denouncing violence, discrimination, bullying, and hate in all forms and reaffirms its commitment to ensuring that every Wisconsinite is safe, welcomed, and empowered to stand proud in their identity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim May 18 2024 as

AAPI DAY AGAINST BULLYING AND HATE

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 26th day of April 2024.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State