STATE of WISCONSIN



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, in honor of the birthday of Vincent Chin, who tragically was murdered in a hate crime in 1982, National AAPI Day Against Bullying and Hate provides an opportunity for all Wisconsinites to pursue empathy, promote civility, and stand up against bigotry; and

WHEREAS; during a time of increased racism, violence, and hate aimed at Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities, the state of Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to fighting discrimination, racism, and hate in all its forms and to building a state where everyone is safe, welcome, and celebrated; and

WHEREAS; today, the state joins all Wisconsinites in celebrating Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities across the state, denouncing violence, discrimination, bullying, and hate, and reaffirming its commitment to ensuring that every Wisconsinite is safe and empowered to be their full and truest selves;

> NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 18, 2025, as

NATIONAL 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 18th day of May 2025

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

SARAH GOOLEWSK Secretary of State