WHEREAS; founded in 1906 as the Children's Outing Association, COA Youth & Family Centers was started by an influential, positive group of Jewish women seeking to provide low-income families the means to achieve self-sufficiency and raise healthy, productive, and successful children; and

WHEREAS; COA Youth & Family Centers is targeted to support the well-being of kids and families and works to build strong, resilient communities, offering programs designed to meet the needs of Milwaukee families through the advancement of early education, youth development, and community development; and

WHEREAS; COA Youth & Family Centers, in partnership with the National Council of Jewish Women–Milwaukee, is celebrating 25 years of partnering with parents to prepare kids for success in school and in life through Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY), an internationally recognized literacy and school-readiness program that empowers parents as their children's first teachers; and

WHEREAS; HIPPY home visitor mentors inspire and promote parent-child engagement and interactions by delivering storybooks and curriculum that empower parents to build strong relationships with their kids through daily reading, math, science, and other activities that prepare them for school; and
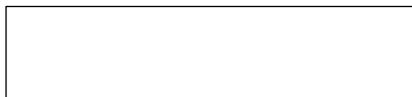
WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins families, friends, and community members in recognizing and congratulating the HIPPY Program at COA Youth & Family Centers on 25 years and wishes everyone involved continued success for years to come;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim May 23 2023 as

HIPPY MILWAUKEE 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 23rd day of May 2023.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State