

WHEREAS; located outside Friendship in Adams County, Roche-A-Cri State Park is a 604-acre state property that was established as a roadside park in 1937 by the State Highway Commission and became a state park in 1948; and

WHEREAS; Roche-A-Cri is an important archaeological site in Wisconsin as it is the site of petroglyphs carved before 900 A.D., which have been dedicated as a National Historic Place, as well as pictographs painted over 400 years ago; and

WHEREAS; remnants of Cambrian sandstone, formerly from an island in Glacial Lake Wisconsin 15,000 years ago, contribute to the makeup of the Roche-A-Cri mound, which offers views of surrounding counties and other mounds on the Central Sands Plains; and

WHEREAS; since the park's establishment in 1948, it has been used for picnicking, hiking, camping, and archeological and historical tourism; and

WHEREAS; caretakers of Roche-A-Cri seek to balance resource protection, site access, interpretive opportunities, compatible recreational activities, and careful development and preservation; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin celebrates the 75th anniversary of Roche-A-Cri State Park and its natural, geological, and archaeological significance to the people of Wisconsin and the study of Native American history;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim June 3, 2023, as

## **75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ROCHE-A-CRI STATE PARK**

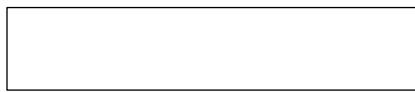
throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.

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 9<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State