

WHEREAS; June 9, 2023, marks the 50th anniversary of the grand opening of Kikkoman Foods Inc. in Walworth; and

WHEREAS; since 1973, Kikkoman's Wisconsin plant has grown to become the highest-producing brewed soy sauce production facility in the world; and

WHEREAS; Kikkoman was one of the first Japanese companies to establish a manufacturing plant in the United States, and today, the company has two U.S.-based production plants, including the Walworth plant and a second facility in Folsom, California; and

WHEREAS; over the past 50 years, Kikkoman has worked to strengthen ties between Wisconsin and Japan, including through the Wisconsin-Chiba sister-state relationship, the Midwest U.S. Japan Association, and other efforts to promote a spirit of cooperation and understanding; and

WHEREAS; among its countless contributions to the state and country over the years, Kikkoman has donated more than \$12 million in support of charitable causes through the Kikkoman Foods Foundation; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins Kikkoman in celebrating five decades of business in the state and wishes the company many more years of success in Walworth and beyond;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim June 9, 2023, as

KIKKOMAN 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 24th day of March 2023.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State