WHEREAS; cystinuria is a rare, chronic genetic condition characterized by excessive cystine in the urine, which then leads to the development of cystine stones in the kidney, ureter, and bladder; and

WHEREAS; research suggests that approximately one in every 7,000 Americans is affected by cystinuria, with the majority of patients presenting with symptomatic stones before the age of 30, and

WHEREAS; cystinuria patients often endure episodes of debilitating pain (called renal colic), nausea, vomiting, and recurrent urinary tract infections and typically require numerous surgical interventions for stone removal, which can cause physical, emotional, and financial strain on patients and their families; and

WHEREAS; affected individuals may suffer from potentially serious medical complications such as hypertension, renal insufficiency, and rarely, kidney failure, all cumulating to an overall lower health-related quality of life compared to the general population; and

WHEREAS; although there is no cure for cystinuria, early diagnosis and management with dietary measures and medications can help prevent stone formation and limit long-term kidney damage; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin recognizes all individuals affected by cystinuria and joins individuals, advocates, and organizations, including the International Cystinuria Foundation, across Wisconsin in increasing awareness of the condition, promoting research, and working towards improved patient care and outcomes;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim June 24 2023 as

CYSTINURIA AWARENESS 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 15th day of June 2023.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State