

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; according to Cleveland Clinic, dyspraxia, also known as developmental coordination disorder (DCD), is a chronic condition that begins in childhood and causes difficulties with motor skills and coordination; and

*WHEREAS*; Cleveland Clinic further estimates that the condition is relatively common, affecting approximately six percent of school-aged children; and

*WHEREAS*; most often diagnosed in the developmental period of childhood, symptoms of dyspraxia can vary greatly and commonly include difficulty with balancing, walking, writing, getting dressed and other daily activities, restlessness, and more, all of which can persist into adulthood; and

*WHEREAS*; although signs and symptoms of dyspraxia often present at a young age, diagnosis is complicated, frequently requiring a team of pediatric care professionals to assess fine motor skills, coordination, and balance while ruling out other potential causes of motor difficulties; and

*WHEREAS*; today, the state of Wisconsin commends those living with dyspraxia for their resilience and joins all affected individuals and their families, along with dedicated advocates and organizations across the state, in raising awareness of dyspraxia;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim July 1 – 7, 2024, as

## **DYSPRAXIA AWARENESS WEEK**

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 21st day of June 2024.

TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State