

WHEREAS; gastroparesis is a chronic condition that impacts an individual's ability to effectively move food through their digestive tract, often preventing the stomach from properly emptying; and

WHEREAS; signs and symptoms of gastroparesis vary and can frequently go unnoticed but often include nausea, vomiting, feelings of fullness after eating small amounts, lack of appetite, and debilitating stomach pain; and

WHEREAS; gastroparesis can lead to serious complications, including malnourishment, dehydration, extreme weight fluctuations, esophageal damage, and dangerously erratic blood sugar levels; and

WHEREAS; while research suggests approximately one in four adults in the United States experience symptoms that are similar to those of gastroparesis, the disorder receives little awareness, has no known cure, and only a few consistently safe, reliable, and effective medications and treatments exist; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all affected individuals, families, and dedicated advocates and organizations in spreading awareness of gastroparesis and embracing the hope that advancements in science and medicine will soon lead to a deeper understanding of the disease, new treatments to enhance quality of life, and a cure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim August 2024 as

GASTROPARESIS AWARENESS MONTH

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 12th day of July 2024.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State