

WHEREAS; appendix cancer, also called appendiceal cancer, is a rare but serious disease, affecting approximately one to two people out of every 1 million in the United States each year, according to Cleveland Clinic; and

WHEREAS; most commonly, appendix cancer is diagnosed following an appendectomy or unrelated abdominal test, surgery, or scan, however, due in part to its rarity, the disease is often misunderstood, meaning that patients can experience misdiagnosis or delayed diagnosis, negatively affecting their quality of life and chances of survival; and

WHEREAS; treatment for appendix cancer varies by type, age, stage, and progression, but may often include surgery, chemotherapy, and targeted drug therapy; and

WHEREAS; while the five-year survival rate for low-grade appendix cancer is between 67 and 97 percent, the survival rate for aggressive or late-stage appendix cancer can be much lower, underscoring the need for early symptom recognition and increased awareness amid rising rates of appendix cancer; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins patients, survivors, healthcare professionals, advocates, and dedicated organizations across the state and country in spreading awareness of appendix cancer, supporting research, and embracing hope for improved diagnoses and treatment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim August 2026 as

**NATIONAL APPENDIX CANCER 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 10th day of July 2026.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State