

WHEREAS; established in 1975, Governor Nelson State Park is an over 400-acre state park located in Dane County in the village of Waunakee; and

WHEREAS; named after the former United States Senator and Wisconsin Governor, Gaylord Nelson, Governor Nelson State Park honors the environmental protection, appreciation, and preservation efforts of Wisconsin’s former esteemed lawmaker and Earth Day founder; and

WHEREAS; located along the shores of Lake Mendota and featuring views of Wisconsin’s historic State Capitol building, Governor Nelson State Park offers more than eight miles of scenic recreational trails for hiking, biking, and cross-country skiing through diverse ecological communities; and

WHEREAS; Native American effigy mounds within the park also provide an important connection to the Ho-Chunk Nation and reflect a longstanding history of natural resource stewardship; and

WHEREAS; in partnership with the Wisconsin State Park System, Friends Groups, volunteers, local partners, and more, for half a century, stewards of Governor Nelson State Park have upheld the shared goal of protecting and preserving public lands for future generations to enjoy; and

WHEREAS; on this occasion, the state of Wisconsin celebrates the 50th anniversary of Governor Nelson State Park and its contributions as an asset to recreation, tourism, and stewardship for the people of Wisconsin;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim August 2 2025 as

**50TH ANNIVERSARY OF GOVERNOR
NELSON STATE PARK**

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 28th day of July 2025.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State