## STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; according to the American Cancer Society, prostate cancer is the second most common cancer and second-leading cause of cancer-related death among men in the United States, and approximately one in eight men will be diagnosed with the disease in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS; the American Cancer Society further estimates that more than 299,01 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed in the United States—including 6,870 new cases in Wisconsin—in 2024, resulting in an estimated 35,250 deaths nationwide and 740 deaths in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; earlier stages of the disease usually have no symptoms, and the five-year survival rate for prostate cancer nears 100 percent when diagnosed and treated early but, unfortunately, drops to approximately 30 percent if it spreads to the bones and other parts of the body; and

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

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

## PROSTATE 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 23rd day of August 2024.

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By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI Secretary of State