

WHEREAS; fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASDs) refer to the myriad of conditions that can occur when an individual is exposed to alcohol before birth; and

WHEREAS; FASD conditions affect everyone differently, and symptoms can include low body weight, poor coordination, memory and learning disabilities, speech and language delays, vision and hearing problems, and damage to the heart, kidneys, and bones, amongst other difficulties; and

WHEREAS; while there is no cure for FASDs, early diagnosis, stable and safe home lives, medication, and behavioral therapies can improve child development; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins affected individuals, families, and dedicated advocates in spreading awareness of the harm of consuming alcohol when pregnant, promoting prevention, treatment, and recovery support services for individuals struggling, and decreasing the stigma surrounding FASDs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim September 9 2023 as

FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS AWARENESS DAY

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 5th day of September 2023.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State