

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; Pitt-Hopkins syndrome (PTHS) is a rare genetic condition characterized by mutations in the TCF4 gene, a gene responsible for brain and nervous system development; and

WHEREAS; PTHS often causes developmental delays, impacted language development, intellectual impairments, limited social skills, and characteristic facial or craniofacial features, according to Cleveland Clinic; and

WHEREAS; most commonly diagnosed from infancy through early childhood, symptoms of PTHS often include constipation, epilepsy, hypotonia, microcephaly, myopia, strabismus, and respiratory distress; and

WHEREAS; while PTHS currently has no cure, treatment for PTHS often centers around symptom mitigation and may include an extensive care team; and


WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all affected individuals and their families, dedicated advocates, and organizations across the state in spreading awareness of PTHS, supporting research, and embracing hope for improved treatments and a cure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim September 18, 2024, as


PITT-HOPKINS SYNDROME 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 29th day of August 2024.


TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor


SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State