

WHEREAS; dental and oral trauma refers to any injury to an individual’s mouth, including the teeth, gums, jaw, tongue, lips, or surrounding structures; and

WHEREAS; according to Cleveland Clinic, symptoms of dental and oral trauma may include toothache, mouth pain, swelling, bleeding from the mouth, bite misalignment, loose or displaced teeth, and difficulty with jaw movement, and trauma often occurs following falls, vehicle accidents, sports injuries, or other instances of physical impact; and

WHEREAS; further, treatment for dental trauma can vary widely by injury, ranging from dental fillings, root canals, restabilization or replantation, tooth extraction or replacement, and more; and

WHEREAS; oral health is inextricably tied to an individual’s overall health and well-being, and delaying proper treatment increases the risk of prolonged pain, gum disease, infection, invasive treatment, and more, adversely affecting one’s quality of life; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins dental and healthcare professionals in raising awareness of the benefits of oral health, dental trauma prevention strategies, and the importance of seeking timely treatment for dental and oral trauma;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim September 21 2025 as

DENTAL AND ORAL TRAUMA 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 8th day of September 2025.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State