

WHEREAS; founded on September 29, 1899, with the first post in Wisconsin being formed on January 20, 1920, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States (VFW) is celebrating its 125th anniversary; and

WHEREAS; for more than a century, the VFW and VFW Wisconsin have provided voluntary and selfless service to the United States Armed Forces, veterans, the state of Wisconsin, and the nation by advocating for overarching veterans' benefits programs, facilitating veterans transitioning back to civilian life, serving the communities in which veterans live, and taking a national leadership role on substantive issues important to all veterans; and

WHEREAS; today, the VFW provides veterans with the opportunity to recognize, honor, and pay tribute to the more than 300,000 veterans who live in Wisconsin and millions of veterans across the nation who have bravely served the state and nation; and


WHEREAS; on this occasion, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in celebrating 125 years of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and commends the Wisconsin post and affiliate organizations for their many contributions to veterans and their families, the state, and the nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim September 29 2024 as

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES 125TH ANNIVERSARY

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 26th day of September 2024.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State