WHEREAS; according to the organization All about ADPS, activated phosphoinositide 3-kinase delta syndrome (APDS) is a rare primary immunodeficiency where white blood cells in an individual's immune system do not work correctly, particularly B-cells and T-cells, and it is estimated that the disorder affects approximately one to two people per every million; and

WHEREAS; APDS is a genetic disease that occurs when there are variations to the PIK3CD or PIK3R1 genes, and symptoms may include severe infections of the ears, sinuses, and upper and lower respiratory tracts, gastrointestinal irritation, enlarged liver and spleen, and increased risk for lymphoma; and

WHEREAS; individuals affected by APDS and their families often encounter a variety of obstacles outside of the disorder itself, such as difficulty obtaining accurate and timely diagnoses, finding effective treatment options, and affording needed care; and

WHEREAS; APDS has no cure, yet dedicated researchers around the world continue their efforts to understand how genetic mutations work and advance treatments with the hope that one day, a cure will be found; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins individuals affected by APDS, their families, and dedicated advocates and organizations in raising awareness of the condition, promoting educational programs for new parents and healthcare providers, and embracing hope for a cure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim October 1 2024 as

## **APDS 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 27th day of September 2024.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State