WHEREAS; dyslexia is a learning disability characterized by difficulties related to reading, writing, spelling, and otherwise processing written language; and

WHEREAS; considered to be the most common form of learning disability, with a spectrum of symptoms and severity, it is estimated that dyslexia may affect up to 20 percent of people, including many individuals in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; early signs of dyslexia in children often include difficulties with spelling, learning the names of letters, differentiating between letters, rhyming, sounding out new words, associating sounds with letters, learning how sounds go together, or a reluctance to read aloud; and

WHEREAS; dyslexia is a lifelong condition, and while the exact cause is unknown, it can be substantially remediated with early diagnosis, effective therapy, and assistive technology training; and

WHEREAS; dyslexia is not reflective of a person's intelligence, creativity, or academic potential, and it is essential to raise awareness of dyslexia and its signs and symptoms to better equip students, parents, and educators to address its challenges in school and at home; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins individuals with dyslexia and their families, along with dedicated advocates and organizations across the state, in spreading awareness of dyslexia and encouraging effective, evidence-based services to support affected individuals;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim October 2026 as

DYSLEXIA AWARENESS MONTH

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 24th day of September 2026.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State