

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; dwarfism refers to short stature due to a genetic or medical condition, widely characterized as an adult height of less than four feet 10 inches, and the condition is classified broadly into two categories, including disproportionate and proportionate dwarfism; and

WHEREAS; fostering greater understanding and acceptance of dwarfism is crucial to combating misconceptions and ensuring the dignity and rights of individuals living with dwarfism are respected, including equal access to public services and facilities, reasonable accommodations, and increased public awareness to reduce bullying and discrimination throughout all aspects of life; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsinites with dwarfism are valued members of their communities who contribute to the state's civic, educational, cultural, professional, and economic life through their talents, accomplishments, leadership, and service; and

WHEREAS; diversity makes Wisconsin stronger, and the creation of equitable and inclusive environments is a matter of social justice and must be the shared responsibility of every person, regardless of ability, for true change to occur; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins individuals living with dwarfism, their families, and dedicated advocates and organizations across the state in spreading awareness of dwarfism and promoting inclusion, advocating for the rights of people with dwarfism, and supporting systemic change to ensure that all Wisconsinites are treated with dignity and respect and have the resources they need to thrive;

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

DWARFISM 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 21st day
of September 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Evers".

TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sarah Godlewski".
SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State