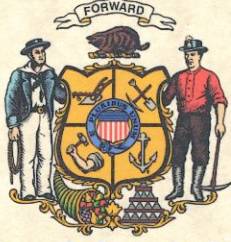


STATE of WISCONSIN



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Proclamation

WHEREAS; research suggests that between 10 and 20 percent of all pregnancies end in miscarriage, and that stillbirth affects approximately one in 175 births each year in the United States; and

WHEREAS; most pregnancy and infant losses are beyond control, yet disparate health outcomes exist for women and infants of color, underscoring the need for improving equitable access to prenatal, postpartum, and pediatric care for all; and

WHEREAS; often, the mental toll following pregnancy or infant loss surpasses the physical one, and resources, including support groups, professional counseling, and therapy services, exist across the state and nation to help those afflicted by loss; and

WHEREAS; initiatives to improve maternal health and birth outcomes for all mothers and babies across the state are underway, and the National Maternal Mental Health Hotline provides free and confidential access to trained counselors 24/7, and is available by calling 1-833-TLC-MAMA; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins families, friends, and dedicated individuals, advocates, and organizations across the state in honoring the memories and lives of those lost during pregnancy or infancy and showing encouragement and support for families forever devastated by their loss;

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

PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS AWARENESS MONTH

and October 15, 2026, as

PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS REMEMBRANCE 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 21st day
of September 2026.

Tony Evers
TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor

Sarah Godlewski
SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State