STATE *of* WISCONSIN

OFFICE *of the* GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; polio is an infectious, debilitating, and potentially life-threatening disease that was once endemic throughout much of the world but can now be prevented through immunization; and

WHEREAS; while the World Health Organization estimates that polio cases have dropped by 99 percent since 1988, recent detections of the virus, including in the United States, serve as a reminder that total eradication of the disease has not yet been reached and underscore the importance of every adult and child receiving the polio vaccine; and

WHEREAS; all Wisconsinites can protect themselves from polio through vaccination, and most adults who were vaccinated as a child are protected through adulthood; and

WHEREAS; on this occasion, the state of Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to providing programs and services that lower barriers to preventative healthcare, including vaccinations, and encourages all Wisconsinites to support the fight for a polio-free world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim October 24, 2023, as

WORLD POLIO 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 13th day of October 2023.

Tony Evers

TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Sara Godlewski

SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State