WHEREAS; according to the American Lung Association, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths in the country, with someone in the United States being diagnosed with lung cancer approximately once every two and a half minutes; and

WHEREAS; early detection of lung cancer can result in better treatment options and an increased rate of survival, underscoring the importance of raising awareness of symptoms, risk factors, and screening options; and

WHEREAS; although advances have been made in detection and treatment, racial disparities in cancer diagnosis, surgical and nonsurgical treatment, and survival persist, underscoring the need for increased access to quality healthcare and awareness in communities of color; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all lung cancer survivors, those who are battling the disease, their loved ones, and the state's dedicated healthcare professionals in spreading awareness, committing to public education, and embracing hope for earlier diagnoses and improved treatments;

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

## **LUNG CANCER AWARENESS DAY**

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

	ave hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 16th day of October
TONY EVERS, Governor	
By the Governor:	
SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary	, of State