STATE *of* WISCONSIN

OFFICE *of the* GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; active-duty military family members in the United States form an important part of the country's military community, as approximately half of all active-duty service members have a spouse and more than one-third have children, according to data from the U.S. Department of Defense; and

WHEREAS; families of military members are often required to spend extended periods of time away from their loved ones and to relocate frequently, sometimes through multiple deployments, all while maintaining household operations; and

WHEREAS; supporting military families, helps ensure that members of the military are able to focus on their important mission of serving the state and country, knowing that their loved ones are cared for while they are away; and

WHEREAS; approximately 10,000 citizen soldiers and airmen serve in the Wisconsin National Guard, and the Service Member Support Division provides support for their families and other military families in the state; and

WHEREAS; Military Family Month provides all Wisconsinites with the opportunity to honor the daily sacrifices, selfless contributions, and exceptional patriotism of military families across the state and country; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins military families throughout the state in celebrating Military Family Month and recognizing the ongoing contributions that military families make in support of their loved ones and in service to the country;

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

MILITARY FAMILY 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 16th day of October 2023.

Tony Evers

TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Sarah Godlewski

SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State