WHEREAS; epilepsy is a brain disorder characterized by unprovoked and recurrent seizures that can affect individuals of any age, gender, race, or background; and

WHEREAS; epilepsy is one of the most common neurological disorders in the world, affecting approximately 50 million people across the globe, including many Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; epilepsy is a spectrum disorder comprised of multiple diagnoses and experiences, and symptoms may include a wide range of seizure types, severity, comorbidities, and behavior that vary from person to person; and

WHEREAS; people with epilepsy require access to affordable, comprehensive, physician-directed, and person-centered healthcare, and delays in accessing effective treatments can increase the likelihood of breakthrough seizures and related complications, such as injury, disability, or Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all affected individuals, their loved ones, and dedicated advocates and organizations across the state in spreading awareness of epilepsy, supporting continued research, and embracing hope for improved treatments and a cure;

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

NATIONAL EPILEPSY 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 30th day of October 2026.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State