

WHEREAS; according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, unintentional injuries, including but not limited to poisoning, motor vehicle crashes, falls, drowning, and more, are the leading cause of death in Americans under the age of 44 years old; and

WHEREAS; while unintentional injuries are mostly accidental, most are preventable, and National Injury Prevention Day is an opportunity to promote awareness and efforts to reduce injuries and prevent premature death; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsinites are encouraged to evaluate their lifestyles, risks, and environments for possible hazards and practice personal safety by staying away from restricted areas, learning about fire safety, properly locking and storing their firearms, driving safe and sober, ensuring family members and housemates are familiar with the sounds of smoke and emergency alarms, and more; and

WHEREAS; emergency medical services, hospitals, and healthcare providers work to improve the survival and recovery of those who experience sudden illness or injury and collaborate with local, state, federal, and Tribal partners to reduce injury and death utilizing evidence-based data, education, and resources; and

WHEREAS; on this occasion, the state of Wisconsin commends the first responders, organizations, and advocates across the state who are dedicated to reducing unintentional injuries and encourages all Wisconsinites to take steps to improve their safety practices;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim November 18 2024 as

## **NATIONAL INJURY PREVENTION 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 25th day of October 2024.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State