STATE *of* WISCONSIN

OFFICE *of the* GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; public health workers play a leading role in ensuring that all Wisconsinites can stay safe and healthy and have worked to increase average life expectancy, reduce tobacco use, prevent heart disease, promote treatments and early detection of cancer, raise awareness about prevention tools and treatments for HIV/AIDS, promote early childhood health and nutrition, and establish the benefits of drinking water fluoridation leading to improvements in oral health; and

WHEREAS; public health workers are dedicated to reducing infant mortality, ensuring that families are immunized against vaccine-preventable diseases, tracking infectious diseases, promoting mental health and injury prevention, helping communities prepare for natural disasters, advancing equity efforts to reduce health disparities, and so much more; and

WHEREAS; advancing public health requires collective action, and public health workers are leaders in creating partnerships with the business community, local and state government, community organizations, and local schools to improve the conditions that lead to better health for all; and

WHEREAS; in addition to their extraordinary work under ordinary circumstances, public health workers are also on the frontlines of preparing for, combatting, and resolving public health crises as they arise, including most notably, throughout the challenges of the global coronavirus pandemic of the past few years; and

WHEREAS; on this occasion, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in expressing deep gratitude to Wisconsin's public health heroes for their unwavering dedication to and continued support for building a healthier, stronger, and more resilient Wisconsin for all;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim November 20, 2023, as

PUBLIC HEALTH THANK YOU 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 30th day of October 2023.

Tony Evers

TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Sara Godlewski

SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State