

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; the Holodomor, or the Ukrainian Famine-Genocide of 1932-1933, was a famine engineered by the Soviet Union that sought to utilize food and starvation as a weapon against Ukrainian resistance by forcibly removing foodstuffs from households and confiscating crops, effectively leading to the starvation, suffering, and death of millions; and

*WHEREAS*; the Holodomor also saw the attempted elimination of Ukrainian culture, and many of Ukraine's intellectuals, artists, and religious and political leaders were targeted, imprisoned, and killed for their resistance to the Soviet Union's policies and efforts to establish a monolithic culture; and

*WHEREAS*; the effects of the Holodomor are still felt by Ukrainians around the world today, with a generation of Ukrainian people, culture, and wealth having been lost not only to the atrocities of the Holodomor but to the lack of education and recognition surrounding the famine-genocide both in Ukraine and among the broader global community; and

*WHEREAS*; on this occasion, the state of Wisconsin joins the state's resilient Ukrainian-American community in honoring the memory of the millions of victims and recognizing the continued struggles faced by the Ukrainian people in their fight for freedom;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim November 25, 2023, as

## UKRAINIAN FAMINE-GENOCIDE (HOLODOMOR) REMEMBRANCE DAY

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



By the Governor:

A blue ink signature of Sarah Godlewski.  
SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State

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 20th day  
of November 2023.

A blue ink signature of Tony Evers.  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR