## STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; the first children's hospital in Madison opened its doors 100 years ago in 1920; and

WHEREAS; the hospital, located at 1225 Linden Drive on the University of Wisconsin campus, was named the Mary Cornelia Bradley Hospital for the Study of Children's Diseases, in memory of a six-year-old girl who died from a complication of measles in 1916; and

WHEREAS; between 1930 and 2007, children were hospitalized at three subsequent locations on the UW-Madison campus: the "old" University Hospital, the Wisconsin Orthopedic Hospital (later named UW Children's Hospital), and the "new" University Hospital; and

WHEREAS; demand for a more spacious, state-of-the-art pediatric hospital culminated in the construction of the world-class American Family Children's Hospital, which opened in 2007 thanks to a generous initial naming gift from American Family Insurance; and

WHEREAS; new treatments and screenings for life-altering disease such as childhood cancer, cystic fibrosis, childhood asthma, heart disease, obesity, premature birth, and others have been developed here, thanks to research initiatives led by prominent faculty members from the UW Department of Pediatrics; and

WHEREAS; U.S. News & World Report has consistently ranked American Family Children's Hospital among the nation's best in multiple specialties;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim the year 2020 as the

## 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN FAMILY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

throught the of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our citizens.

B e Governor:

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 13<sup>th</sup> day of December 2019.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State