

WHEREAS; each year, nearly 13,000 women across the United States are diagnosed with cervical cancer, with 200 of these cases reported in Wisconsin, and more than 4,000 die from the disease; and

WHEREAS; while treatments for cervical cancer do exist, the side effects can be devastating to those who survive; and

WHEREAS; the Human Papillomavirus (HPV) has been identified as the main cause of cervical cancer, and the HPV vaccine along with regular screenings and Pap tests can be effective preventive tools for women in Wisconsin and throughout our country; and

WHEREAS; administered by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services in all 72 counties and 11 federally-recognized Native Nations, the Wisconsin Well Woman Program aims to increase access to health screenings such as Pap tests, cervical cancer screenings, and mammograms to all eligible Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin honors those whose lives have been affected by cervical cancer and joins survivors, activists, and organizations across our state and country in raising awareness about symptoms, reducing the stigma surrounding diagnoses, and expanding access to cervical cancer treatment and prevention for women across our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim January 2021 as

CERVICAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

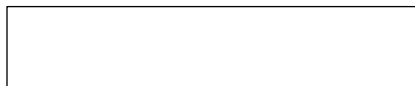
throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance
to all our state's residents.

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 3rd day of December 2020.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State