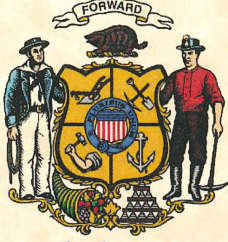


STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; communities across the State of Wisconsin have experienced devastating flooding in the last four years, which have led to homeowners, business people, and renters losing their homes and livelihood; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin has had three flooding disaster declarations since the beginning of 2019, the most recent of which resulted in an estimated \$30 million in damages across Kenosha, Milwaukee, and Racine counties; and

WHEREAS; the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is anticipating an increased likelihood of spring flooding throughout Wisconsin in 2020 due to melting snowpack sitting upon already saturated soils; and

WHEREAS; as little as one inch of water in a home or business can cause approximately \$26,000 of damage, and traditional homeowner, business, and renter insurance products often do not cover losses from floods; and

WHEREAS; most disasters do not qualify for individual Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) assistance grants, which provide an average of \$4,300 in assistance, far below the average flood claim of \$46,000; and

WHEREAS; flood insurance is reasonably priced and available from the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), a FEMA program, in participating communities throughout Wisconsin, and lower-cost flood insurance is also available to property owners in low to moderate flood risk areas;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim February 9 – 15, 2020, as

FLOOD INSURANCE AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the State of Wisconsin to encourage homeowners, business owners, and renters to purchase flood insurance to ensure a speedy return to normal after a flood disaster.

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 7th day of February 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Evers".

TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Douglas La Follette".
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State