STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

WHEREAS; Multiple system atrophy (MSA) is a rare, degenerative neurological disorder that affects the body's involuntary functions, like breathing, muscle control, and

WHEREAS; the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke estimates that between 15,000 and 50,000 Americans are affected by MSA; and

WHEREAS; symptoms of MSA typically develop in adulthood and include problems with balance, coordination, gait, bladder and bowel functions, speech, swallowing, and breathing; and

WHEREAS; a multidisciplinary approach to MSA care includes physical, psychological, and financial support for patients and caregivers, including support groups; and

WHEREAS; while there are medications that treat the symptoms of MSA and some clinical trials for the development of improved treatment, there is currently no cure; and

WHEREAS; this March, the State of Wisconsin joins Multiple System Atrophy patients and advocates in raising awareness about MSA so as to improve care for MSA patients, encourage accurate diagnoses of MSA, help raise funds for research for treatments with fewer side effects, and ultimately develop a cure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim March 2020 as

MULTIPLE SYSTEM ATROPHY AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the St. Wisc. n and I commend this observance to all our citizens.

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 21st day of February 2020.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

By the Governor

blood pressure; and

Douglas FOLLETTE
Secretary of late