

WHEREAS; music therapy is the clinical and evidence-based use of the nonverbal, creative, and emotional qualities of music and musical elements to promote and maintain an individual's health and wellness; and

WHEREAS; our state's music therapists strive to provide music therapy services which are most effective in restoring, maintaining, and improving the mental, physical, and social well-being of folks across Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; professional music therapy organizations in Wisconsin, including the Great Lakes Region of the American Music Therapy Association and the Wisconsin Chapter for Music Therapy, are committed to community involvement, service, and education, as well as to advancing music therapy as a professional discipline, standardizing assessment and therapeutic techniques, and documenting and implementing peer review for professional quality assurance; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins our state's music therapy organizations, providers, and patients in raising awareness about the potential health benefits of music therapy for all Wisconsinites;

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

## **MUSIC THERAPY 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 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 2021.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State