

WHEREAS; trisomy is a genetic condition characterized by the presence of a single extra chromosome within a person's cells, yielding a total of three chromosomes instead of a pair; and

WHEREAS; as a type of aneuploidy, trisomy can occur in any one of the 23 pairs of chromosomes individuals have; and

WHEREAS; the most common trisomies in newborns are trisomy 21, also known as Down syndrome, trisomy 18, also known as Edwards syndrome, and trisomy 13, also known as Patau syndrome; and

WHEREAS; medical professionals, local support groups, and online communities can offer education, encouragement, and counseling for those managing trisomy pregnancies or raising children affected by trisomy; and

WHEREAS; awareness and understanding of this genetic condition, both in the medical community and general public, plays a significant role in the ability of individuals and families to access proper care, treatment, and support; and

WHEREAS; awareness and understanding of trisomy are also important for helping kids affected by trisomy live, thrive, show and give love, and have the opportunity to exceed the current clinical expectations for their diagnosis; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin encourages all Wisconsinites to learn more about trisomy and reaffirms its commitment to raising awareness of all forms of the condition, supporting families affected by trisomy, and helping all individuals with developmental disabilities throughout our state to achieve their full potential;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim March 2022 as

TRISOMY 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 18th day of February 2022.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State