WHEREAS; observed annually in March, Women's History Month provides all Wisconsinites with the opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the innumerable contributions that women have made to the history of the state and country; and

WHEREAS; women of all backgrounds have altered the trajectory of every aspect of society, from science and art to government and politics, and from education and activism to business and beyond; and

WHEREAS; for far too long, the achievements of women—and women of color, especially—in the United States have been minimized, ignored, and overlooked, underscoring the importance of honoring the generations of women who have blazed trails, shattered glass ceilings, and fought for a more just and equitable world; and

WHEREAS; women like Ho-poe-kaw, Electa Quinney, Belle Case La Follette, Laura Ingalls Wilder, Georgia O'Keeffe, Emma Toft, Mildred Fish-Harnack, Milly Zantow, Vel Phillips, Ada Deer, bell hooks, Gwen Moore, Tammy Baldwin, and so many more have played a critical role in the history and prosperity of the state, and their resilience in the face of adversity serves as an inspiration for folks across the country and around the world; and

WHEREAS; despite the substantial progress that has been made towards gender equity in Wisconsin and in the United States more broadly, discrimination and violence on the basis of gender—intersected by race, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, and other social factors—continue to persist; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in celebrating women's history and in uniting in the fight for equality and justice for all;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim March 2023 as

WOMEN'S HISTORY 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 2023. | e at the Capitol in | n the City of M | adison this | 22nd day | of Februar |
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| TONY EVERS, Governor | | | | | |
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| DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secr | retary of State | | | | |