

WHEREAS; bleeding disorders are a group of conditions in which the body is unable to form a proper blood clot, resulting in extended bleeding after trauma, injury, menstruation, and surgery that can be severely debilitating—and even fatal—if not treated effectively; and

WHEREAS; originally designated as Hemophilia Awareness Month in 1986, Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month was redesignated to reflect the wide range of bleeding and blood conditions—from hemophilia to von Willebrand Disease to anemia to HIV—and the month has since been recognized as a national health observance since 2016; and

WHEREAS; there are millions of individuals in the United States living with a bleeding disorder, demonstrating the need for greater research and awareness surrounding these disorders, which often go unrecognized by the general public; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins the Great Lakes Hemophilia Foundation, medical professionals, and affected individuals around the state in celebrating the advances made in treating bleeding disorders while recognizing the need for greater engagement from researchers, policymakers, and community members to develop better treatments and, eventually, a cure;

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

BLEEDING DISORDERS 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 17th day of February 2023.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State