WHEREAS; since its adoption by the United Nations in 1975, International Women's Day has been celebrated around the world every year on March 8; and

WHEREAS; International Women's Day is a time to celebrate the achievements of women everywhere and the vital role that women play in global society; and

WHEREAS; while Wisconsin has a long history at the forefront of women's equality movements, discrimination and violence on the basis of gender—intersected by race, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, and other social factors—persist throughout the state; and

WHEREAS; the theme of this year's International Women's Day, "#EmbraceEquity," recognizes the difference between equity and equality and acknowledges that providing equal opportunities does not necessarily lead to equal outcomes, highlighting the importance of conversations about how one's life experiences and circumstances inform the opportunities and resources to which they have access; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in reflecting on the countless contributions of women to the state, country, and world and in uniting in the fight for the liberation of all women and all people;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim March 8 2023 as

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

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 24th day of February 2023.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State