

WHEREAS; Wisconsin has a proud history of maple syrup production, and is home to a thriving community of industry professionals who produce hundreds of thousands of gallons of maple syrup every year; and

WHEREAS; with thousands of maple syrup producers operating upwards of 850,000 taps, Wisconsin ranks fourth among the leading maple syrup producing states in our nation, and is a leader in the value of maple syrup production, as well; and

WHEREAS; yielding a significant economic impact to our state each year, maple syrup production sweetened our state's agricultural economy by more than \$7.5 million in 2020 alone; and

WHEREAS; underscoring our state's deep connection and commitment to the maple syrup industry, the sugar maple has been the official state tree of Wisconsin since 1949; and

WHEREAS; the first "tree tapping" of the year in Wisconsin is happening at Leafy Grove Maple in Merrill on March 19, 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim March 15 through April 15, 2022, as

MAPLE SYRUP 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