STATE of WISCONSIN



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WHEREAS; flooding results in millions of dollars in damage to public and private property each year, showing the importance of people learning to mitigate, prevent, and respond to flooding; and

WHEREAS; it only takes six inches of fast-moving water to carry away an adult and 12 inches of fast-moving water to sweep a vehicle off the road; and

WHEREAS; it is essential for people across our state to evaluate the risk of flooding in their homes and to develop an emergency plan with their family in the event they must evacuate; and

WHEREAS; the State of Wisconsin endorses Wisconsin Emergency Management's Ready Wisconsin campaign, which provides Wisconsinites and our communities with the tools they need to be prepared; and

WHEREAS; our state is committed to working with and supporting local homeowners, businesses, and communities in our ongoing fight to address flooding through a comprehensive action plan that makes smart investments into flood prevention and recovery measures; and

WHEREAS; Flood Safety Awareness Week is a nationwide effort coordinated by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to raise public awareness about the importance of planning and preparing for the risks associated with flooding;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim March 16 – 20, 2020, as

FLOOD SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the State of Wisconnend 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 6th day of March 2020.

TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FO Secretary of State