

WHEREAS; the Medal of Honor is the highest award for valor in combat across all branches of the United States military; and

WHEREAS; following legislation passed by Congress and signed by President Abraham Lincoln, the first six Medals of Honor were awarded on March 25, 1863; and

WHEREAS; in the nearly 160 years since the Medal of Honor was created, fewer than four thousand individuals—including 63 Wisconsinites—have received this prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin honors all recipients of the Medal of Honor for their service, sacrifice, bravery, and heroism in combat;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim March 25, 2022, as

## **NATIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR 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 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State