

WHEREAS; thrombocytopenia-absent radius (TAR) syndrome is an inherited genetic disorder characterized almost always by the absence of the radius bone in each forearm as well as a platelet deficiency that prevents normal blood clotting; and

WHEREAS; TAR syndrome is extremely rare, affecting fewer than one in 100,000 newborns; and

WHEREAS; TAR syndrome can be congenital or develop within the first months of life, and a diagnosis can be reached or confirmed through molecular genetic testing; and

WHEREAS; skeletal problems and clotting issues range in severity from individual to individual and even over the course of a patient's life, although the most serious symptoms and potential complications—including hemorrhages in the brain and other organs—typically present in childhood; and

WHEREAS; management and treatment of TAR syndrome can entail platelet transfusions, orthopedic intervention, physical therapy, and the avoidance of cow's milk; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all those affected by TAR syndrome, their families, and advocates in spreading awareness and embracing hope that advancements in science and medicine will soon lead to a deeper understanding of the condition;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim April 2021 as

## **TAR SYNDROME 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 17<sup>th</sup> day of March 2021.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State