

WHEREAS; tornadoes have the potential to pose a great risk to the safety of everyone in Wisconsin and can cause great devastation to public and private property; and

WHEREAS; severe thunderstorms can produce powerful wind gusts, large hail, flood-producing heavy rains, and dangerous lightning, which pose a threat to the safety and property of all Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin averages 23 tornadoes each year and, in 2020, Wisconsin had 20 confirmed tornadoes, which caused significant damage to homes, buildings, and natural areas; and

WHEREAS; tornadoes, severe storms, flooding, and strong winds have caused hundreds of millions of dollars in damage to homes, businesses, and local government infrastructure in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin residents are participating in a virtual tornado drill at 1:45 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. on Thursday, April 15, during which they are encouraged to practice going to their tornado shelter locations and discuss preparedness strategies with their families; and

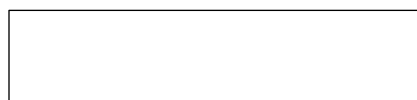
WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins Wisconsin Emergency Management and its ReadyWisconsin campaign in spreading awareness of the dangers of severe weather hazards as well as the actions which all Wisconsinites can take to keep themselves and their families safe;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim April 12 through 16, 2021, as

## **TORNADO AND SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK**

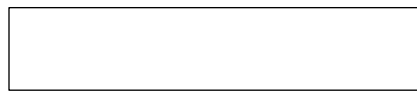
throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.

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