

WHEREAS; Infant Immunization Week is an annual observance that highlights the importance of protecting infants from vaccine-preventable diseases and celebrates the achievements of immunization programs in promoting healthy communities across our state and country; and

WHEREAS; immunizations are key to keeping Wisconsin's kids healthy by preventing the spread of diseases, such as measles, mumps, diphtheria, polio, tetanus, hepatitis B, rotavirus, and chickenpox, that were once endemic; and

WHEREAS; starting at birth, children need a series of vaccinations to be fully protected from deadly and debilitating diseases and to help their families save on healthcare costs in the long term; and

WHEREAS; stopping the spread of disease in our state is dependent on high rates of immunization in our communities, and vaccinations are a safe and effective way to protect our kids—especially those that are unable to receive certain vaccines, either due to age or compromised immune systems—from preventable diseases; and

WHEREAS; all kids have the right to grow up healthy, no matter their family's socioeconomic status, which is why the Wisconsin Vaccines for Children program has worked with participating healthcare providers for 28 years to reduce economic barriers to immunization across our state, providing no-cost vaccines to children who might not otherwise have access; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin recognizes and celebrates the healthcare professionals and public health officials who are working to promote vaccine education, ensure access to services such as our state's immunization registry, and support families to ensure kids receive their recommended vaccinations on schedule;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim April 25- May 1, 2022, as

INFANT IMMUNIZATION 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 14th day of April 2022.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State