

WHEREAS; one in ten Wisconsinites live below the federal poverty line, and more than 18,000 kids and youth across our state experienced homelessness in 2019; and

WHEREAS; low-income and working poor Wisconsinites often turn to community action agencies for assistance; and

WHEREAS; the Wisconsin Community Action Program Association is comprised of 16 community action agencies across our state working to fight poverty and help folks achieve economic self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's community action agencies are committed to incorporating and amplifying the voices of folks living in the communities they serve, including low-income individuals and families, elected officials or their representatives, and local professionals, groups, and interests; and

WHEREAS; since 1974, community action agencies in Wisconsin have contributed to policy development, community support and advocacy, and programming in the areas of affordable housing, weatherization, food security, employment, entrepreneurship, child development, community economic development, health, and education; and

WHEREAS; in times of uncertainty, our community action agencies continue to step up to ensure Wisconsinites have access to the quality services and programming they need through creative and innovative ways; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin renews its resolve to partner with groups like the Wisconsin Community Action Program Association to fight inequities in communities across our state and work towards reducing economic disparities for families in Wisconsin;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim May 2020 as

COMMUNITY ACTION 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 7th day of May 2020.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State