

WHEREAS; our state values the time, talent, and life experiences that Wisconsin's over 1.3 million aging and older adults provide to their communities and society; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin recognizes that aging and older folks provide leadership and inspiration to others while paving the way for future generations; and

WHEREAS; we strive to build strong and vibrant communities that encourage, engage, and support aging and older Wisconsinites in pursuing personal interests and social activities that promote vitality, independence, and aging with dignity; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin affirms that living safely in one's community among friends and family preserves peace of mind and quality of life; and

WHEREAS; we are devastated by the disproportionately harmful effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on aging and older folks in communities and residential care facilities throughout our state; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin is committed to assisting our aging and older adults in managing their health by supporting them and those who care for them, and increasing awareness of family caregiving issues;

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

OLDER AMERICANS 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 23rd day of April 2020.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State