

WHEREAS; every year, Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month is observed nationwide throughout the month of May in recognition of the numerous contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders across our state and our country; and

WHEREAS; Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have lived and worked in Wisconsin for more than a century, and have greatly impacted our state's rich history, culture, economy, and public service; and

WHEREAS; the vibrant and diverse cultures of AAPI communities in Wisconsin—from families who have called Wisconsin home for generations to recently arrived immigrants and refugees—remain an integral part of our state's identity; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin recognizes that this year's celebration comes at a time of increased racism and violence directed towards Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in our communities and reaffirms its support for the continued efforts of the AAPI Coalition of Wisconsin and its mission to confront violence, discrimination, racism, and hate of all kinds that have been amplified by the coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin celebrates AAPI communities throughout our state and joins the AAPI Coalition of Wisconsin in working to ensure that Wisconsin is a safe, diverse, welcoming, equitable, and inclusive place for all;

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

ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE 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 6th day of May 2022.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State