

WHEREAS; Wisconsin is home to more than 500 Lions Clubs and 42 Leo Clubs, boasting more than 17,000 Lions and Leos across the state; and

WHEREAS; this year, the Lions of Wisconsin are celebrating 100 years of service to local communities across our state; and

WHEREAS; through their children's vision screening program, the Lions of Wisconsin screen the eyes of over 77,000 children every year, and through their daily efforts to transport corneal eye tissue to and from the Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin in Madison, they play a crucial part in providing the gift of sight to visually impaired individuals every day; and

WHEREAS; the impact of the Lions and Leos of Wisconsin extends far beyond state lines, as they collect and process more than 800,000 pairs of eyeglasses through the Eyeglass Recycling Center in Rosholt each year, and ship to more than 49 different countries where kids and adults are in need of eyeglasses but cannot afford them; and

WHEREAS; the Lions and Leos of Wisconsin also host the annual Lions Camp in Rosholt, which provides a quality camping experience free-of-charge to over 1,300 eligible Wisconsinites with disabilities; and

WHEREAS; the Lions and Leos of Wisconsin install wheelchair ramps, distribute dictionaries to school children, participate in roadside cleanups, donate food to food banks, and extend many other acts of kindness, large and small, to their communities; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin thanks the Lions and Leos of Wisconsin for their innumerable contributions to our state over the past century, and wishes them many more years of services and success;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim May 1 – 7, 2022, as

LIONS 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 22nd day of April 2022.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State