WHEREAS, like all Wisconsinites, aging and older adults and individuals with disabilities deserve to live with dignity, security, and maximum independence and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the growth of the aging population in our state, coupled with the rising cost of healthcare and long-term care, creates an imperative to make efficient and effective use of both private and public resources; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, Wisconsin became the first state to develop Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs), providing the model for a nationwide initiative that began in 2003; and

WHEREAS, ADRCs are welcoming, inclusive, and accessible places where aging and older adults and folks with disabilities, along with their families, can be connected to reliable information, unbiased advice about care options, and simplified access to appropriate resources and services; and

WHEREAS, this month, the state of Wisconsin celebrates the ADRCs across our state that are dedicated to helping individuals and families make more informed choices, conserve personal resources, delay or prevent the need for public resources and potentially expensive long-term care services, and maintain self-sufficiency;

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

AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER 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 10th day of May 2022.

[Signature]
TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State