

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; millions of Americans have served in the United States Armed Forces, and more than a million have lost their lives in battle to preserve and defend the freedoms and quality of life enjoyed by people throughout our country; and

*WHEREAS*; borne out of the tragedy of World War I, the red poppy that bloomed all over Europe following the war now symbolizes the sacrifice of lives in all wars, reminding us of the price of war and the debt owed to those who have died fighting for our country; and

*WHEREAS*; each year, the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Wisconsin reminds all Wisconsinites of this debt through the distribution of poppy flowers throughout the month of May; and

*WHEREAS*; this month and every month, the state of Wisconsin honors our veterans for their service and pays tribute to those who have sacrificed their lives to uphold the values we share;


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

## POPPY 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022.

  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State