

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin values the time, talent, and life experiences that its aging and older adults provide to their communities and society; and

WHEREAS; whether by serving as caregivers for family and community members in need, by volunteering in their local communities, or by providing leadership and knowledge to future generations, older adults make countless contributions to the state; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin strives 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, choice, and respect; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin remains committed to helping all individuals live longer, healthier lives in the communities of their choice for as long as possible while dismantling systems and barriers that create a disproportionately poorer quality of life for historically underserved populations; and

WHEREAS; the theme of this year's Older Americans Month, "Aging Unbound," recognizes the diverse experiences of aging and older adults and promotes a flexible understanding of aging that rejects stereotypes; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin celebrates all aging and older Wisconsinites for their vision, wisdom, advocacy, hard work, and volunteerism and reaffirms its commitment to assisting them in managing their health by supporting them and those who care for them;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim May 2023 as

## **OLDER AMERICANS MONTH**

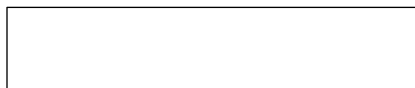
throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.

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 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State