

STATE *of* WISCONSIN



OFFICE *of the* GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States, with the American Lung Association estimating that someone is diagnosed with the disease every two and a half minutes; and

WHEREAS; early detection of lung cancer can result in better treatment options and an increased rate of survival, especially among high-risk populations, which underscores the importance of raising awareness of symptoms, risk factors, and screening options; and

WHEREAS; lung cancer screening saves lives, and public support for research funding will result in new treatments and better methods of early detection; and

WHEREAS; the prevention, detection, and treatment of lung cancer is an issue of equity, considering the rate of new lung cancer cases among Black Wisconsinites is higher than the rate among white people in Wisconsin and the rate among Black Americans nationally; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins dedicated advocates and organizations—including LUNG FORCE, the national initiative led by the American Lung Association—in spreading awareness of lung cancer, its risk factors, and the importance of early detection;


NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 8 – 14, 2023, as

LUNG CANCER ACTION 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 7th day of April 2023.


TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:


SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State