

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; X-linked hypophosphatemia (XLH) is a rare, inherited genetic condition that is estimated to affect approximately one out of every 20,000 individuals, according to the XLH Network; and

WHEREAS; the condition is characterized by abnormally low levels of phosphate in the blood, leading to serious and debilitating effects on an affected individual's bones, teeth, joints, muscles, hearing, and nervous system, and symptoms typically first appear in infancy and early childhood; and

WHEREAS; XLH patients and their families often encounter a variety of problems outside of the illness itself, such as difficulty obtaining accurate and timely diagnoses, finding effective treatment options, and affording treatments; and

WHEREAS; while XLH has no cure, dedicated researchers around the world continue their efforts to understand how genetic mutations work and advance treatments with the hope that one day a cure will be found; and

WHEREAS; on this occasion, the state of Wisconsin joins individuals affected by XLH, their families, and dedicated advocacy organizations, such as the XLH Network, in raising awareness of the condition, promoting educational programs for new parents and healthcare providers, and embracing hope for a cure;

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

XLH AWARENESS MONTH


and June 23, 2022, as

XLH AWARENESS DAY

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 18th day of May 2022.


TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State