

WHEREAS; gastroparesis, or paralysis of the stomach, is a chronic illness characterized by nausea, vomiting, early satiety, and debilitating stomach pain; and

WHEREAS; gastroparesis can lead to serious complications including malnourishment, dehydration, extreme weight fluctuations, esophageal damage, and dangerously erratic blood sugar levels; and

WHEREAS; although it is estimated that the illness affects more than five million people in the United States, gastroparesis receives little awareness, has no known cure, and only a few consistently safe, reliable, and effective medications and treatments exist; and

WHEREAS; affected individuals and families seek further research, the development of additional medications and treatment options, better support, and hope for the future; and

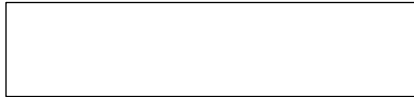
WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins gastroparesis patients and advocates in spreading awareness and embracing hope that advancements in science and medicine will soon lead to a deeper understanding of the condition, new treatments, and a cure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim August 2021, as

## **GASTROPARESIS AWARENESS 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 2nd day of July 2021.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State