

WHEREAS; muscular dystrophy is not one single disease or disorder that affects every person the same way, but instead is an umbrella term covering a number of different types of muscular and neuromuscular diseases that range in severity; and

WHEREAS; all muscular dystrophies result in progressive muscle weakness, from mild muscle weakness to complete paralysis of all voluntary muscles, including those used for breathing, swallowing, and walking; and

WHEREAS; muscular dystrophies can occur in anyone, regardless of race, age, ethnicity, or gender, and many Wisconsinites across our state are affected by some form of the disease; and

WHEREAS; raising public awareness of muscular dystrophies will continue to facilitate the discovery of new treatments and cures, and will bring much needed funding for support and services for affected families in Wisconsin and throughout our country; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all individuals, families, and advocates of those affected by muscular dystrophy in spreading awareness and embracing hope that advancements in science and medicine will soon lead to a deeper understanding of the diseases, new treatments to enhance quality of life, and a cure;

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

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY 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 23rd day of July 2021.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State