

WHEREAS; aging and older adults throughout Wisconsin have spent their lives contributing to our state; and

WHEREAS; there are over 1.3 million folks over the age of 60 living in Wisconsin, and over one quarter of our state's households include at least one member aged 65 or older; and

WHEREAS; our senior citizens play an active role in our families and our communities, and many set an example of community service and social responsibility, providing advice and perspective to future generations of Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; our seniors are an important part of the diverse fabric of our state and deserve to be treated with respect and dignity, regardless of their age, income, or ability; and

WHEREAS; we are devastated by the disproportionately harmful effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on our aging and older populations in communities and residential care facilities throughout our state; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins the State Department of Health Services' Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources in encouraging folks across our state to reach out to the aging and older individuals in their lives, reflect on their legacy, and thank them for their continued contributions;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim August 21, 2020, as

NATIONAL SENIOR CITIZENS 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 2nd day of July 2020.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State