WHEREAS; approximately every three minutes, one person in the United States is diagnosed with a blood cancer; and

WHEREAS; by the end of this year, it is estimated that 178,520 people across our country will have been diagnosed with leukemia, lymphoma, or myeloma – the three main types of blood cancer – in 2020 alone; and

WHEREAS; new cases of leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma are expected to account for 9.9 percent of the estimated 1,806,590 new cancer cases diagnosed nationwide in 2020; and

WHEREAS; an estimated 1,297,027 people in the United States are either living with, or are in remission from, leukemia, lymphoma, or myeloma, including many in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; this occasion serves as an opportunity to increase awareness and improve diagnosis, care, and treatment of blood cancers while embracing hope for a cure;

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

BLOOD CANCER 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 20th day of August 2020.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State