

WHEREAS; Kinnickinnic State Park is located where the St. Croix and Kinnickinnic rivers meet in Pierce County and offers 10 miles of hiking trails, bird watching, boating, swimming, and fishing opportunities; and

WHEREAS; Kinnickinnic State Park and its state natural area boundary feature one of the finest river deltas in Wisconsin, abundant bird species, important fish habitats, and diverse plant life; and

WHEREAS; due to its many recreational opportunities, Kinnickinnic State Park is part of the Lower St. Croix National Scenic Riverway, which is a joint project of the National Park Service, the state of Wisconsin, and the state of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS; in the early 20th century, shortly after the first Wisconsin state parks were established, the land around the mouth of the Kinnickinnic River was identified as a potential park location, and after decades of determined advocacy by a committed group of landowners in the area and a donation of 45-acres to the state of Wisconsin from three families, Kinnickinnic State Park was established in 1972; and

WHEREAS; in the years that followed, the park expanded to cover more than 1,300 acres of land and more than 200 trees have been planted, about 50-acres of prairie have been restored, and about 6.5 miles of hiking trails have been developed, thanks in large part to the work of volunteers; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in celebrating the 50th anniversary of Kinnickinnic State Park and its many contributions, past and present, to tourism, recreation, culture, and stewardship in our state;

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

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF KINNICKINNIC STATE PARK

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 19th day of August 2022.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State