WHEREAS; according to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, more than one million people nationwide are either living with, or are in remission from, leukemia, lymphoma, or myeloma—the three main types of blood cancer—and, by the end of this year, it is estimated that approximately 180,000 more Americans, including many Wisconsinites, will have been diagnosed; and

WHEREAS; the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society also states that approximately every three minutes, one person in the United States is diagnosed with leukemia, lymphoma, or myeloma, and approximately every nine minutes, someone in our country dies from a blood cancer; and

WHEREAS; support for blood cancer patients and their families continues to be of critical importance, especially during these last few years as the coronavirus pandemic has highlighted existing challenges that affected individuals often face, including added health concerns, emotional hardships, financial distress, uncertainty, and isolation; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins patients, survivors, healthcare professionals, advocates, and dedicated organizations across our state and country—including the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society—in spreading awareness of all blood cancers, supporting research, and embracing hope for improved diagnoses, treatments, and a cure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim September 2022 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 29th day of July 2022.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State