

WHEREAS; prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths and diagnoses among men in the United States, and approximately one in eight men will be diagnosed with the disease in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS; the American Cancer Society estimates that more than 268,000 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed in the United States—including 5,590 new cases in Wisconsin—in 2022, resulting in an estimated 34,500 deaths nationwide and 740 deaths in our state; and

WHEREAS; while earlier stages of the disease usually have no symptoms, if left untreated, prostate cancer commonly spreads to the bones and other areas of the body; and

WHEREAS; the five-year survival rate approaches 100 percent when prostate cancer is diagnosed and treated early, but drops to approximately 30 percent if it spreads to other parts of the body; and

WHEREAS; prostate cancer treatment decisions should be based on clinician recommendations and patient values and preferences, and the American Cancer Society recommends that all patients have the opportunity to make an informed decision about whether to be tested for prostate cancer after learning about the potential uncertainties, risks, and benefits of prostate cancer screening; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins patients, survivors, healthcare professionals, and dedicated advocates and organizations across our state in spreading awareness of prostate cancer and in supporting continued research into improved screening methods, diagnoses, and treatments, and a cure;

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

PROSTATE 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 2nd day of September 2022.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State