

WHEREAS; lissencephaly is a rare gene-linked disorder that causes the brain to develop with few or no ridges and folds, making it appear smooth; and

WHEREAS; it is estimated about one in 100,000 individuals are born with this condition; and

WHEREAS; individuals living with lissencephaly may also suffer from developmental delays, hypertonia, epilepsy, and swallowing disorders, among other conditions; and

WHEREAS; addressing the complex medical needs of those born with lissencephaly early in life is imperative to helping families successfully care for their children in the long term; and

WHEREAS; further education, awareness, and support for families of individuals affected by lissencephaly are desperately needed, and it is appropriate that one day each year should be set apart as Lissencephaly Awareness Day; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins dedicated individuals and organizations across our state and country, including the Lissencephaly Foundation, in supporting all lissencephaly patients, caregivers, and advocates through continued efforts to empower families and educate communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim September 8, 2021, as

LISSENCEPHALY AWARENESS 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 2021.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State