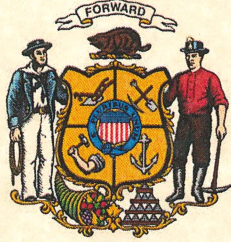


STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; on September 16, 1919, the United States Congress federally chartered the American Legion; and

WHEREAS; as outlined in the 1919 congressional charter, the American Legion's mission is "to promote peace and goodwill among the peoples of the United States and all nations of the earth," and to "cement the ties of comradeship born of service"; and

WHEREAS; since 1919, the American Legion has left behind a storied legacy of camaraderie and service, lobbying Congress to pass the GI Bill in 1944, assisting the Red Cross and other organizations with disaster relief throughout the country, and establishing long-standing programming for children and youth; and

WHEREAS; today, there are nearly two million members of the American Legion as well as more than 12,000 posts in communities throughout the United States, making it the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization; and

WHEREAS; this year's centennial celebration provides an opportunity to reflect on the many contributions of the American Legion, and to honor the servicemembers who continue to serve our communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim September 16, 2019, as the

100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our citizens.



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 23rd day of
August 2019.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tony Evers".
TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Douglas La Follette".
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State