STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

WHEREAS; dysautonomia is a grouping of medical conditions characterized by a malfunction of the autonomic nervous system, which is responsible for regulating "automatic" bodily functions such as heart rate, blood pressure, respiration, digestion, temperature control, sweating, energy production, and other essential bodily functions; and

WHEREAS; dysautonomia impacts millions of people worldwide regardless of age, gender, race, or background, including many Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; as the world continues to face the spread of COVID-19, it is important to note that research is increasingly linking dysautonomia with post-acute COVID-19 syndrome, also known as "long COVID"; and

WHEREAS; dysautonomia has no cure, can greatly hinder an individual's quality of life, and can even contribute to early death; and

WHEREAS; lives can be saved through increased public awareness of dysautonomia, helping patients receive quicker diagnoses, earlier intervention, and better treatments; and

WHEREAS; Racing Hearts Day is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization run by dysautonomia patients and their families dedicated to advocating on behalf of the dysautonomia community and which donates its revenue to research efforts at the Aurora Dysautonomia Center in Grafton; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins dysautonomia patients and their family members, along with dedicated organizations and medical establishments across our state, in supporting affected individuals and working to spread awareness of dysautonomia;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim September 18, 2021, as

RACING HEARTS DAY

ughout 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

Capitol in the City of Madison 27th day of August 2021.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the

By the Fovernor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State