STATE of WISCONSIN

OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Limb Girdle Muscular Dystrophy (LGMD) is a general term used to describe a group of genetically inherited neuro-muscular diseases that cause progressive weakness and wasting of the muscles around the shoulders and hips; and

WHEREAS: LGMD can affect anyone regardless of age, gender, race, or background, and it is estimated that the condition impacts anywhere between one in 14,500 and one in 123,000 individuals; and

WHEREAS: individuals and families affected by LGMD often experience problems such as diagnosis delay, difficulty finding medical experts, and lack of access to treatments or ancillary services; and

WHEREAS: research is ongoing and important advances are being made every day in understanding the genetic causes of the disease, but there is still no known cure or treatment and a large share of the burden of raising awareness continues to fall on patients and families affected by LGMD; and

WHEREAS: today, the state of Wisconsin joins LGMD focused foundations and all Limb Girdle Muscular Dystrophy patients, families, and advocates in raising awareness and embracing hope that further research will soon lead to better treatments and, ultimately, a cure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim September 30, 2020, as

LIMB GIRDLE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY 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 20th day of August 2020.

[Signature]
TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By Governor:

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DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State