WHEREAS; limb-girdle muscular dystrophy (LGMD) is a general term used to describe a group of genetically inherited neuromuscular diseases that cause progressive weakness and wasting of the muscles in areas of the body, including the shoulders, upper arms, pelvic area, and thighs; and

WHEREAS; it is estimated that LGMD impacts anywhere between one in 14,500 and one in 123,000 individuals; and

WHEREAS; individuals and families affected by LGMD often face challenges such as delays in diagnosis, difficulties finding a medical specialist, and lack of access to treatments or other ancillary services; and

WHEREAS; while important advances continue to be made in understanding the genetic causes behind the condition, there is still no known cure, and families affected by LGMD are often the leading proponents of raising public awareness to support critical research; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins the global LGMD community in raising awareness of LGMD and embracing hope that further research will soon lead to improved treatments and ultimately a cure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim September 30, 2022 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 1st day of August 2022.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State