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WHEREAS; domestic violence perpetrators intentionally use a pattern of physical, sexual, emotional, economic, psychological, and cultural abuse to control their partners, violating their dignity, security, and psychological and physical well-being; and

WHEREAS; domestic violence perpetrators cause significant and long-lasting trauma to countless individuals of every religion, identity, culture, and economic and social status, as domestic abuse survivors often endure physical and emotional abuse; and

WHEREAS; by observing Domestic Violence Awareness Month, we seek to increase awareness of the incidence of violence in the home, focusing on the victims of domestic violence and their children, who have suffered emotional and physical abuse; and

WHEREAS; through the inspiration, courage, and persistence of survivors of domestic abuse and violence, their kids, and advocates, legislation has been enacted to provide protection and services for future victims and their kids; and

WHEREAS; the achievements of those working to end domestic violence throughout the state and nation, together with the continuing efforts of Wisconsin's state agencies to assist victims of domestic violence and to prevent future violence in our communities, are to be commended;

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

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

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

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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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2019.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State