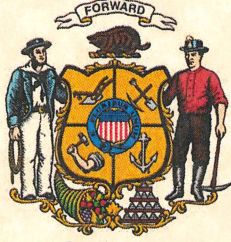


# STATE of WISCONSIN



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## Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; chiropractors are physician-level healthcare providers who have special expertise in the prevention, care, and rehabilitation of musculoskeletal conditions and injuries; and

*WHEREAS*; more than 100 million people each year report experiencing a musculoskeletal condition, and more than half of people living with a musculoskeletal condition report that it disrupts their day-to-day life, including their ability to work; and

*WHEREAS*; lower-back pain is one of the most common musculoskeletal conditions, accounting for 264 million lost workdays each year, and is frequently treated with opioids, increasing the risk of opiate dependence and addiction in our communities; and

*WHEREAS*; chiropractors take a hands-on, noninvasive, non-drug approach to pain management and health promotion, and groups such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Food and Drug Administration, and the Joint Commission now encourage non-pharmacologic approaches as a first-stop for pain management techniques; and

*WHEREAS*; noninvasive, non-drug treatments for musculoskeletal conditions, like chiropractic services, combined with an active lifestyle, a nutritious diet, and healthy habits can help to protect and enhance an individual's musculoskeletal health over their lifetime;

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

## NATIONAL CHIROPRACTIC HEALTH MONTH

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 16<sup>th</sup> day of September 2019.

*Tony Evers*

TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor

*Douglas La Follette*  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State