

WHEREAS; according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death among women in the United States, and the American Cancer Society estimates that by the end of 2022, 5,380 new cases will have been diagnosed and 720 people will have died of the disease in the state of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; through research and advocacy, advances have been made in the fight against breast cancer, including increased rates of early detection and a 90 percent five-year survival rate, according to figures from the American Cancer Society; and

WHEREAS; despite these advances, racial disparities in breast cancer persist, with Black women experiencing a disproportionately high rate of breast cancer mortality, underscoring the need for increased access to quality healthcare and breast cancer awareness in communities of color; and

WHEREAS; all people are at a lower risk for breast cancer when they have the opportunity to benefit from access to nutritious foods, routine health screenings and preventative care, physical activity, and resources to live healthy lives; and

WHEREAS; on this occasion, all Wisconsinites are reminded that mammograms and other preventative breast cancer screenings are the most effective ways to detect the disease early and increase the chances of successful treatment; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to building a healthcare system that works for everyone and joins all breast cancer survivors, all those who are battling the disease, their loved ones, and the state's many dedicated healthcare workers in spreading awareness, committing to public education, and embracing hope for earlier diagnoses, improved treatments, and a cure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim October 2022 as

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

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 7th day of October 2022.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State