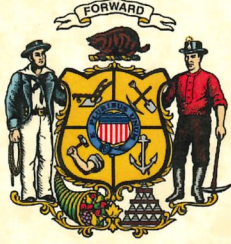


# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; celebrated annually in October, Plasma Awareness Week is designed to raise awareness of the importance of plasma donation and its impact on the lives of folks with rare diseases; and

*WHEREAS*; plasma-derived and recombinant therapies – collectively known as plasma protein therapies – are unique, biologic products for which no substitutes exist, and are used to save and improve the lives of patients throughout our state and country; and

*WHEREAS*; plasma protein therapies can treat a variety of conditions, including hemophilia and other bleeding disorders, primary immune deficiencies, alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency, hereditary angioedema, chronic inflammatory demyelinating polyneuropathy, and Rh-negative pregnancies; and

*WHEREAS*; this year in particular, as folks across our state and throughout our world work to fight the COVID-19 pandemic, we recognize the role of plasma donation in the development of effective treatments; and

*WHEREAS*; plasma protein therapies substantially increase quality of life, extend life expectancy, and improve patient outcomes for folks across Wisconsin; and

*WHEREAS*; this week, the state of Wisconsin thanks all plasma donors, as well as the staff who work at our state's 26 plasma donation centers, for their critical contributions to the health and well-being of all Wisconsinites;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim October 5 – 9, 2020, as

## PLASMA AWARENESS WEEK

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 1<sup>st</sup> day of  
October 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Evers".  
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TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Douglas La Follette".  
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DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State