

WHEREAS; diabetes is a chronic condition characterized by high blood sugar levels, and the most common types are type 1, type 2, and gestational diabetes; and

WHEREAS; while type 1 diabetes is the most common form of diabetes in young people, it can affect individuals of all ages, causing a lifelong dependence on injected or pumped insulin, and carrying the constant threat of devastating complications; and

WHEREAS; although it is estimated that one in three adults has prediabetes and is at a high risk for developing type 2 diabetes, nearly all are unaware of their condition, and gestational diabetes, which can develop during pregnancy, affects up to ten percent of pregnancies in the United States each year; and

WHEREAS; diabetes is the seventh leading cause of death both in Wisconsin and nationwide, and costs the American economy approximately \$327 billion each year; and

WHEREAS; with more than one in ten adults in the United States affected by the condition, diabetes and complications from diabetes affect all communities, but disproportionately affect older adults and Native American, Black, and Hispanic populations; and

WHEREAS; every year, Diabetes Awareness Month and World Diabetes Day present an opportunity to increase community awareness of diabetes, as well as risk factors, symptoms, and management, with the goal of preventing and decreasing the adverse effects of prediabetes and diabetes in Wisconsin, across the United States, and around the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim November 2021 as

DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH

and November 14, 2021, as

WORLD DIABETES 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 22nd day of October 2021.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State