STATE of WISCONSIN



WHEREAS; what's best for kids is what's best for the state, and the Wisconsin family court system plays a vital role in ensuring that families throughout the state are able to provide children with healthy, stable, and safe environments; and

WHEREAS; it is essential that all professionals working within the family court system receive proper education and training on domestic violence, childhood trauma, and post-separation abuse in order to make informed decisions that are in the best interest of the kids they serve; and

WHEREAS; Family Court Awareness Month was established to highlight the rights of children and the challenges that they and their families may face within the legal system—especially if they are victims of abuse or domestic violence—and to increase awareness of the importance of a family court system that promotes healthy, financially sound, and safe families, prioritizes child safety, and acts in the best interest of children; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins dedicated advocates and organizations across the state in reaffirming the rights of children to grow up with the care, support, and resources they need to thrive and in working towards a family court system that protects our most vulnerable Wisconsinites:

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

FAMILY COURT 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 25th day of October 2022.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State