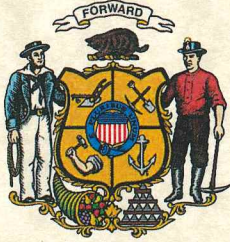


STATE of WISCONSIN



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Proclamation

WHEREAS; traumatic and acquired brain injury is a contributing factor to one third of all injury-related deaths in the United States and each day, 153 Americans die from traumatic injuries that include brain injury; and

WHEREAS; approximately 1 out of 4 American soldiers who served in Iraq or Afghanistan have suffered a traumatic brain injury, which corresponds to higher rates of PTSD, depression, anxiety, chronic pain, and suicidal ideation thus, this epidemic creates a dire need to protect our active military, veterans, and their families as they continue to serve or assimilate back into civilian society; and

WHEREAS; 8,000 Wisconsinites will sustain a traumatic brain injury this year, leading to possible death and lifelong disability and to many more patients will remain undiagnosed and untreated due to lack of medical resources, funding, and/or awareness; and

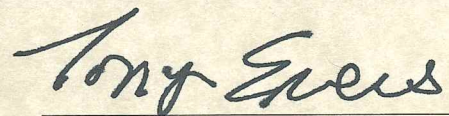
WHEREAS; the critical understanding, prevention, and treatment of these injuries will directly stem from increased public awareness;

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

BRAIN INJURY AWARENESS MONTH

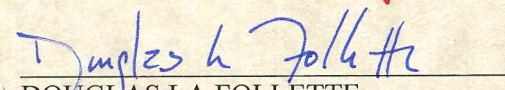
throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.

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 19th day of February 2019.



TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

