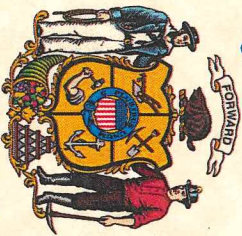


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Proclamations

WHEREAS, Autism Spectrum Disorder is a complex developmental disability that typically appears during the first three years of life as a result of a neurological disorder that affects the brain; and

WHEREAS, Autism Spectrum Disorder affects the development of the brain in the area of social interaction and communication skills, and affects as many as one in 68 individuals – about 86,000 people in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Autism Spectrum Disorder has wide ranging implications for the entire family of the diagnosed individual, and early diagnosis research, professional training, education and therapies are vital to improving outcomes; and

WHEREAS, Autism Spectrum Disorder affects a person throughout their lifespan and their quality of life depends not only on the foundation provided in childhood, but also on ongoing supports that are specific to their educational, medical, social, recreational, family, and employment needs; and

WHEREAS, significant progress has been made in the last 30 years resulting in an improved quality of life for individuals with autism and their families; and

WHEREAS, the statewide effort to raise awareness by autism advocates will provide the opportunity to applaud the accomplishments of children and adults with autism, and to educate the public on challenges still being faced;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the state of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim April, 2019 as

AUTISM 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 29th day of March 2019.

Tony Evers
TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Douglas La Follette
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

