STATE of WISCONSIN

OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Wisconsin’s rivers and waterways are important to our state’s cultural and economic development; and

WHEREAS, these waterways are a valuable natural resource serving as habitats for wildlife and supporting tourism, recreation, papermaking, and commercial and local interests; and

WHEREAS, dams are used in our waterways to harness renewable energy resources and manage the flow of water, but might also present safety concerns for those who use them; and

WHEREAS, every year, hundreds of people across the nation are killed or seriously injured by tragic accidents at dams; and

WHEREAS, most accidents at dams could be prevented by staying away from restricted areas and learning about the dangers associated with dams; and

WHEREAS, individuals can practice dam safety by obeying warning signs, respecting safety barriers, heeding horns or sirens, being alert to rapidly changing water conditions, practicing safe boating and canoeing, wearing a personal flotation device, and using caution when swimming, wading, and walking near a dam;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim April 1 – 7, 2019 as

DAM SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK

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 15th day of March 2019.

Tony Evers
TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State