WHEREAS: Heterotaxy Syndrome is a rare congenital defect in which the major visceral organs are distributed abnormally within the chest and abdomen, affecting multiple body systems, and requires a team of specialists to administer proper treatment; and

WHEREAS: public awareness about Heterotaxy Syndrome is limited including many medical professionals; and

WHEREAS: recent advances in medical treatment and surgical repairs have greatly increased the life span for those with Heterotaxy Syndrome and have increased adulthood survival rates; and

WHEREAS: Heterotaxy Syndrome Awareness Day provides an opportunity for families whose lives have been affected to celebrate life and remember loved ones lost, to honor dedicated healthcare professionals, and to meet others with the syndrome and know they are not alone; and

WHEREAS: Heterotaxy Syndrome Awareness Day also provides the opportunity to share experience, and information with the public and the media in order to increase public awareness about Heterotaxy Syndrome;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 4, 2019 as

HETEROTAXY SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin. I recommend 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.

[Signature]
TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State