WHEREAS: Tardive Dyskinesia (TD) is a condition of involuntary muscle movements of the face, trunk, and extremities that can vary in frequency and amplitude; and

WHEREAS: TD is a condition that may occur with certain medications used to treat mental illness resulting from treatment with dopamine receptor blocking agents used for both psychiatric and non-psychiatric conditions, and can persist even after discontinuing treatment; and

WHEREAS: research done by The Citizens Commission on Human Rights shows that more than 12 million Americans take antipsychotics and that more than 500,000 of those patients may have TD; and

WHEREAS: anyone taking an antipsychotic medication may develop TD, but people who are elderly, female, or have a mental illness are at a greater risk of developing TD;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 5-12, 2019 as

TARDIVE DYKINESIA 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 3rd day of May 2019.

TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State