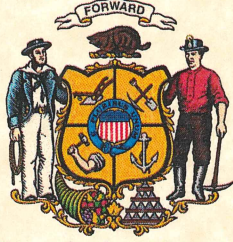


STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; in 1786, citing the importance of the uncensored written word, Thomas Jefferson famously stated, "our liberty... cannot be guarded but by the freedom of the press, nor that be limited without danger of losing it"; and

WHEREAS; organizations of all scopes and scales compose the publishing industry of free community papers and newspapers in Wisconsin, and they contribute an important service throughout our local communities; and

WHEREAS; these publications are provided to our communities free of charge, disseminating valuable and accessible information to millions of homes each week; and

WHEREAS; free community papers proudly serve the information needs of their communities across this great state, while promoting local commerce, free enterprise, and public service;

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

FREE COMMUNITY PAPERS MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all 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 24th day of June 2019.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Evers".

TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR



By the Governor:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Douglas La Follette".
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State