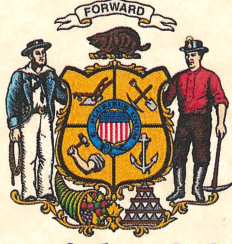


STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; independent filmmakers have been living and working in Wisconsin since the birth of the movie industry; and

WHEREAS; film legends including Orson Welles, Spencer Tracy, and Alfred Lunt, and modern luminaries like Willem Dafoe, Tyne Daly, Heather Graham, and Zack Snyder, all hail from Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; internationally-known film studios MGM and Universal began in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; there are more than 1,000 independent filmmakers working and honing their craft in Wisconsin today, producing approximately 50 films each year; and

WHEREAS; there are approximately 20 film festivals in Wisconsin each year, and Wisconsin-made independent films play on screens all over the world, including some of the most prestigious, such as the Cannes Film Festival, Sundance Film Festival, and the Tribeca Film Festival; and

WHEREAS; independent filmmaking is universally considered the foundational level of cinema, which forms a notable portion of the more than \$650 million in annual economic activity in Wisconsin;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim July 29, 2019, as

WISCONSIN INDEPENDENT FILMMAKERS' DAY

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 18th day of June 2019.



Tony Evers
TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Douglas La Follette
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State