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WHEREAS; gastroparesis is a chronic illness that affects more than five million people in the United States, yet little is known about those in our state; and

WHEREAS; gastroparesis is paralysis of the stomach, which sometimes causes debilitating pain, nausea, vomiting, early satiety, and can lead to serious complications such as malnourishment, dehydration, extreme weight loss or weight fluctuations, esophageal damage, overwhelming fatigue, and dangerously erratic blood sugar levels; and

WHEREAS; there is little awareness, no known cure, and few effective treatment options or medications for gastroparesis; and

WHEREAS; those affected by gastroparesis seek more research, improved medications, additional treatment options, better support, and hope for the future, as well as opportunities to educate the medical community and the general public about gastroparesis in order to and promote awareness of the condition for the good of the general public health;

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

## GASTROPARESIS AWARENESS 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 17<sup>th</sup> day of July 2019.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Douglas LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State