

STATE of WISCONSIN



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Proclamation

WHEREAS; fragile X syndrome and other disorders related to mutations of the FMR1 gene are genetic conditions that can result in developmental delays, learning disabilities, and social and behavioral problems in affected individuals; and

WHEREAS; fragile X-associated conditions are also connected to tremor/ataxia syndrome, which causes tremors, balance deficiencies, and memory problems, as well as ovarian insufficiency, which can result in reduced fertility or infertility, menstrual deficiencies, and early menopause; and

WHEREAS; over 100,000 Americans have fragile X syndrome, and an estimated 1.5 million Americans are carriers of a fragile X mutation; and

WHEREAS; although the genetic mutation that causes fragile X is easily identified by DNA testing, fragile X syndrome frequently goes undetected due to its recent discovery and a lack of awareness in both the general public and the medical community; and

WHEREAS; raising awareness of fragile X will help affected individuals and their families make more informed medical decisions and will guide the medical community towards a better understanding of fragile X-associated conditions and similar neuropsychiatric disorders; and

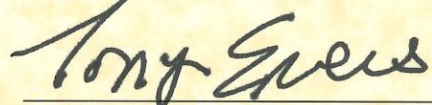
WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins affected individuals, families, and advocates across our state in raising awareness of fragile X syndrome and related conditions, as well as the need for continued research, early diagnosis, and treatment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim July 22, 2021, as

FRAGILE X AWARENESS DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

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 16th day of July 2021.



TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

Secretary of State:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State