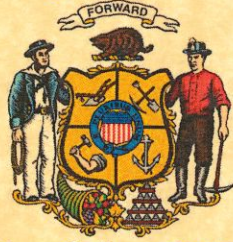


# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; Wisconsin's Great Lakes and coastal communities contribute to the quality of life of all Wisconsinites, creating jobs and stimulating the state's economy, providing drinking water, sustaining wildlife and local ecosystems, offering outdoor recreation opportunities and scenic beauty, supporting agricultural production, and enhancing statewide tourism; and

*WHEREAS*; Wisconsin's coastline—with its many ports, harbors, marinas, and working waterfronts—drives economic growth by connecting Wisconsin to the national and global economy; and

*WHEREAS*; the state of Wisconsin remains committed to promoting environmental literacy, increasing public access, and encouraging the sustainable use of coastal resources throughout the state's approximately 800 miles of Great Lakes shoreline for the benefit of all residents, visitors, and future generations; and

*WHEREAS*; Wisconsin is home to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration-designated Wisconsin Shipwreck Coast National Marine Sanctuary, which provides an opportunity to build upon the state's legacy of maritime trade and navigation while highlighting Wisconsin's unique and vibrant coastal communities; and

*WHEREAS*; for 47 years, the Wisconsin Department of Administration's Coastal Management Program has worked with the Wisconsin Coastal Management Council, as well as local, Tribal, and federal governments, state agencies, organizations, and businesses, to protect and enhance Wisconsin's Great Lakes shoreline and resources, and this year it is estimated that more than \$1.2 million in grants will be administered to assist with 31 projects across the 15 coastal counties to cultivate resilient communities equipped to protect coastal ecosystems; and

*WHEREAS*; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in recognizing the partnership and collaboration between the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program and Wisconsin's coastal communities and organizations as their leadership and contributions continue to promote, enhance, and protect the Great Lakes and Wisconsin's coasts;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim September 2025 as

## COASTAL AWARENESS MONTH

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 26th day  
of August 2025.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tony Evers".  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sarah Godlewski".  
SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State

