

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; the term “fetal alcohol spectrum disorders” (FASD) is a general term that describes the wide variety of effects that can occur in a fetus whose mother drank alcohol during pregnancy; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin has the highest rates of several alcohol indicators including binge drinking among adults, chronic heavy drinking among adults and binge drinking among pregnant women; and

WHEREAS; fetal alcohol spectrum disorders are a leading cause of mental retardation, learning and behavioral disabilities in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; each year approximately 70-80 Wisconsin babies are born with fetal alcohol syndrome and an additional 150-200 are born with other negative effects related to prenatal alcohol exposure; and

WHEREAS; the State of Wisconsin encourages programs that provide services to women at risk of alcohol-exposed pregnancies and individuals at risk for FASD, along with their families

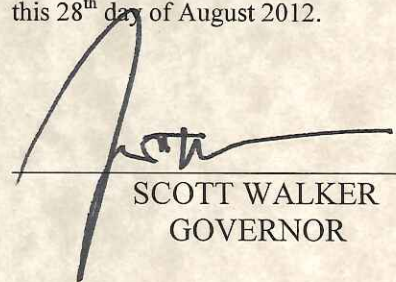
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim Sunday, September 9, 2012, as

FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS AWARENESS DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin, and I commend this observance to all of 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 28th day of August 2012.


SCOTT WALKER
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State