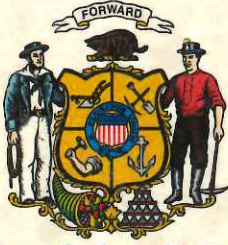


# STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; Plasma Awareness Week is designed to raise understanding of the need for plasma collection, recognize the contributions of plasma donors for saving and improving lives, and to increase knowledge about lifesaving plasma protein therapies and rare diseases; and

*WHEREAS*; lifesaving plasma-derived and recombinant blood clotting factors, collectively known as plasma protein therapies, are unique biologic products for which no substitute therapies exist; and

*WHEREAS*; plasma protein therapies are used to treat many conditions including bleeding disorders, primary immunodeficiency diseases, alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency, and certain rare neurological disorders, and

*WHEREAS*; these therapies are also used in emergency and surgical medicine; and

*WHEREAS*; these therapies have significantly improved the quality of life, markedly improved patient outcomes, and extended life expectancy for individuals with rare diseases, specifically those with plasma protein disorders; and

*WHEREAS*; there are five plasma donation centers in Wisconsin certified under the International Quality Plasma Program, where healthy and committed donors provide plasma that is used to manufacture high-impact, life saving therapies;

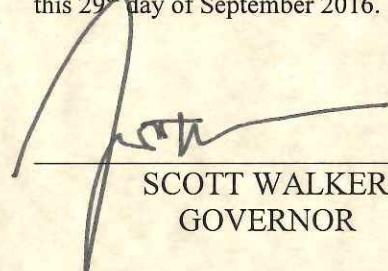
*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the state of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim October 9 – 15, 2016 as

### PLASMA AWARENESS WEEK

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 29<sup>th</sup> day of September 2016.

  
SCOTT WALKER  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State