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## Senator Agard Supports Gov. Evers' Proclamation Recognizing Today as Transgender Day of Visibility

MADISON – Today, Governor Evers declared March 31, 2023 as <u>Transgender Day of Visibility in Wisconsin</u> and commended its observance to our state's residents. Until 2021, the State of Wisconsin had never before officially recognized Transgender Day of Visibility. Under Governor Evers, our state has now recognized Transgender Day of Visibility in 2021, 2022, and 2023. State Senator Melissa Agard (D-Madison), Senate Democratic Leader, released the following statement:

"One of the cornerstone responsibilities of policymakers is to ensure that the people we represent are safe. We have the duty to act in the best interests of all Wisconsinites, especially our LGBTQ youth. Regardless of their identity, all kids deserve to see themselves represented and feel safe, loved, and know that they belong.

"Today, we celebrate and honor the resilience and success of transgender and non-binary people in our communities and recommit to supporting equality for all. Governor Evers and legislative Democrats believe that Trans rights are human rights.

"My Democratic colleagues and I will continue to be staunch advocates and partners in the State Legislature for Wisconsin's LGBTQ community, and we will not stop fighting until people can live as their true selves and love who they want to love without fear of violence or discrimination."

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