

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's Lake Michigan and Lake Superior drive economic growth by connecting Wisconsin to the national and global economy, with miles of coastal shoreline featuring ports, harbors, marinas, and working waterfronts; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's coasts provide diverse recreational opportunities which supports tourism, local and state economies, and contributes to our quality of life; and

WHEREAS; the State of Wisconsin recognizes the regional and national significance of the Great Lakes, the world's largest fresh water system; and

WHEREAS; the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program in the Department of Administration, a national leader for 39 years, has worked with the Wisconsin Coastal Management Council, local, tribal, and federal governments, state agencies, organizations, and businesses to protect and enhance the Great Lakes; and

WHEREAS; the State of Wisconsin acknowledges the value of coastal estuaries in support of National Estuaries Week, September 16 – 23, and the potential benefits of increased tourism, educational opportunities, enhanced public access, and greater appreciation of our natural history; and

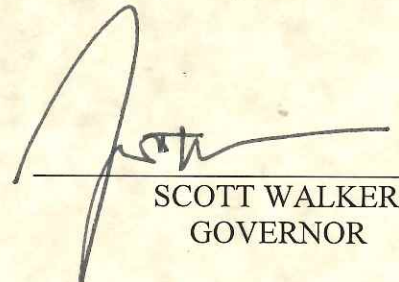
WHEREAS; the State of Wisconsin recognizes the strength in partnerships between the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program and Wisconsin's coastal communities and harbor towns as their leadership and contributions continually promote, enhance, and protect Wisconsin's coasts;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim September 2017 as

COASTAL AWARENESS MONTH

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 30th day of August 2017.


SCOTT WALKER
GOVERNOR



By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State