



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's natural heritage is scenic and diverse, ranging from forests and lakes, to prairies, rivers, wetlands, and coastal beaches that provide places for year-round outdoor recreation and discovery; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's vast natural and cultural resources provide citizens and visitors opportunities to hike, bike, fish, camp, swim, learn about nature, and enjoy numerous other outdoor activities on public and private lands, in urban green spaces, and suburban backyards; and

WHEREAS, playing and exploring outdoors gives children and their families time to connect with nature, engage in exercise and healthy activities, and have fun; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin has a history of natural resource stewardship, exemplified by the legacies of great conservationists like Aldo Leopold and Gaylord Nelson, and our citizens must remain committed to protecting and appreciating these valuable resources; and

WHEREAS, Great Outdoors Month is an opportunity to celebrate and experience the many outdoor activities that Wisconsin has to offer and renew our commitment to conserving our air, water, and land;

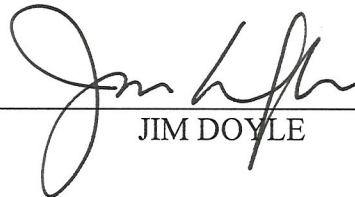
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Doyle, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim as **June, 2009**

GREAT OUTDOORS MONTH

in Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all 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 twenty fifth day of March in the year two thousand eight.


JIM DOYLE

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State