STATE *of* WISCONSIN

OFFICE *of the* GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; Lake Michigan and Lake Superior are vital resources connecting our State to the nation and the world, and have a profound impact on the economy and quality of life of the State and its harbor towns; and

WHEREAS; the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program in the Department of Administration, a national leader for 37 years, was the first program in the Great Lakes and among the first 10 nationally established through the Coastal Zone Management Act; and

WHEREAS; the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program and its Council work collaboratively with local, tribal, federal governments, and state agencies as well as private citizens, organizations, and businesses to protect and enhance the Great Lakes; and

WHEREAS; the State of Wisconsin recognizes the importance of tourism along Lake Michigan and Lake Superior, and celebrates the role our Great Lakes play in supporting a vibrant tourism economy; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's Great Lakes bring in tourists from around the region, nation, and globe for an opportunity to access and enjoy our shared coastal resources; and

WHEREAS; the State of Wisconsin celebrates the 75th Anniversary of the Washington Island Ferry, a successful transportation business that provides a critical link between Washington Island and the mainland for Door County residents and tourists;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim the month of September 2015, 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 19th day of August 2015.

SCOTT WALKER
GOVERNOR

By the Governor

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State