WHEREAS; according to the American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses (ASPAN), there are around 60,000 perianesthesia nurses working across the United States, including many in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; perianesthesia nurses practice in several areas of medical care, including preanesthesia and post-anesthesia care, ambulatory surgery, and pain management; and

WHEREAS; perianesthesia nursing plays an essential role in the safety of patients and quality of healthcare in hospital settings across the state, and perianesthesia nurses continuously meet the varied and emerging needs of patients in a diverse range of environments; and

WHEREAS; as the American population ages, advances in medicine raise life expectancies, and home healthcare services expand, the demand for perianesthesia nurses is expected to increase, and the services and care they provide will remain an important part of the American healthcare system; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins ASPAN and the Wisconsin Society of Perianesthesia Nurses in recognizing perianesthesia nurses throughout the state for their steadfast commitment to patient care and the continued advancement of nursing practices;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim February 5 through 11 2024 as

PERIANESTHESIA NURSE AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have become over my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State

•	the Capitol in the City of Madison this 29th day of December
2023.	
TONY EVERS, Governor	
By the Governor:	
SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of	f State