WHEREAS; agriculture is a major economic driver in Wisconsin, contributing \$116.3 billion and 353,900 jobs each year to the state's economy; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's agriculture industry provides job opportunities in many different areas, from information technology to business management to marketing to farming, processing, and more; and

WHEREAS; agricultural education is a key component of the education system in Wisconsin, enhancing the social, economic, and environmental well-being of the state; and

WHEREAS; FFA is a dynamic, student-led organization with over one million members across more than 9,000 chapters nationwide that prepares its members for leadership, personal growth, and career success in a variety of fields through agricultural education; and

WHEREAS; FFA members have the opportunity to participate in a comprehensive program in agricultural education, including classroom instruction, supervised agricultural experiences that provide career skills and hands-on training, and leadership development; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection and the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction in commending the more than 25,000 members of the Wisconsin Association of FFA for their dedication to leadership, growth, and the advancement of agricultural education in the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim February 15 through 22 2025 as

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

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State

of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done 2025.	at the Capitol in	the City of Madis	son this 3rd day	y of February
TONY EVERS, Governor				
By the Governor:				
SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary	of State			