WHEREAS; established on March 1, 1961, the Peace Corps is celebrating its 63rd anniversary this year; and

WHEREAS; since 1961, more than 240,000 Peace Corps volunteers have served in 143 countries, including thousands of Wisconsinites, and Wisconsin is proud to have one of the longest and deepest traditions of Peace Corps service in the United States; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's Peace Corps volunteers showcase the best the state has to offer, exemplifying the program's mission to promote peace by serving the world's communities, promoting empathy and unity, and working together to take on challenges; and

WHEREAS; through its educational leadership in research, outreach, and teaching, the University of Wisconsin-Madison consistently ranks as one of the top recruiting campuses in the United States, with over 3,400 graduates who have put their education and life experience to work as Peace Corps volunteers around the world over the past 63 years; and

WHEREAS; in partnership with people and communities across the globe, the Peace Corps has provided thousands of individuals with real-world, cultural, and work experiences, and returned volunteers have helped educators in Wisconsin incorporate global learning focused on cultural sensitivity and global competency in their classrooms; and

WHEREAS; the Peace Corps serves as a shining example of excellence in university-government collaboration, fostering agricultural, business, educational, environmental, economic, community health, and youth development around the world; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins the University of Wisconsin–Madison and all Wisconsinites who have served in the Peace Corps in celebrating the Peace Corps' 63rd anniversary and wishing the program many more years of success in Wisconsin and beyond;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim February 25 through March 2 2024 as

PEACE CORPS WEEK

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 2024.	e at the	Capitol	in the Ci	ty of Mac	lison this	11th c	lay of	January
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TONY EVERS, Governor								
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