

WHEREAS; Wisconsin’s agricultural industry is a vital part of the state culture and economy, contributing over \$116 billion annually, with roughly one in 10 employed Wisconsinites holding a job related to agriculture; and

WHEREAS; known as America’s Dairyland, Wisconsin is home to roughly 5,100 dairy farms, more than any other state, and the state’s nearly 1,200 licensed cheesemakers produce a quarter of the nation’s cheese, ranking Wisconsin as the nation’s top cheese-producer; and

WHEREAS; the diversity of Wisconsin’s agriculture is one of the state’s major strengths, with the state leading the nation in several other sectors, including milk goats, snap bean processing, cranberries, ginseng, mink pelts, dry whey for humans, corn for silage, and more; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin is also well on its way to becoming a top 10 state for agricultural exports thanks to the hard work of producers, processors, and agribusinesses, as well as robust state support of programs like the Wisconsin Initiative for Agricultural Exports; and

WHEREAS; the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) works to bolster the state’s agricultural industry by partnering with Wisconsin farmers, producers, and processors to grow the economy by promoting quality food, healthy plants and animals, sound use of land and water resources, and a fair marketplace both domestically and abroad—efforts that are more important than ever to supporting farmer’s well-being; and

WHEREAS; the state is also committed to growing Wisconsin’s future agricultural workforce by supporting and engaging Wisconsin’s youth through various state-run programs, such as the Meat Talent Development Program, Wisconsin Agriculture Youth Council, Wisconsin Agricultural Education and Workforce Development Council, and more; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins DATCP, in partnership with dedicated producers, agribusinesses, and organizations across the state, in celebrating National Ag Day, reaffirming the state’s commitment to supporting Wisconsin’s farmers and their families, and recognizing the important role that the agricultural industry plays in ensuring the state’s economic, environmental, and cultural prosperity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim March 24 2026 as

NATIONAL AG DAY

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 at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 5th day of March 2026.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State