WHEREAS; for many individuals, professional counseling can be a helpful tool that aids in their growth and development and assists them in achieving their full human, educational, and career potential; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsinites can utilize the services of professional counselors in a variety of settings, such as schools, colleges, mental health agencies, community agencies, hospitals, rehabilitation centers, and private practice; and

WHEREAS; counseling can support a variety of physical, emotional, and mental health needs, and counseling professionals make important contributions to the well-being and quality of life of people in communities across the state; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins the Wisconsin Counseling Association, as well as dedicated individuals, advocates, and counselors across the state, in raising awareness of the benefits of professional counseling and in encouraging all Wisconsinites to gain a better understanding of the practice;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim April 2024 as

COUNSELING AWARENESS MONTH

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 26th day of March 2024.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State