WHEREAS; laboratory testing is critical to ensuring accurate disease detection, diagnosis, and treatment that physicians and patients depend on to help answer important questions about an individual's health, from cholesterol levels to genetic disorders to cancer detection; and

WHEREAS; medical laboratory professionals uncover health issues by testing and carefully analyzing blood and body fluids, among other biological samples, and are highly trained in lab disciplines such as hematology, microbiology, clinical chemistry, and immunology; and

WHEREAS; medical laboratory professionals perform millions of laboratory tests each year in Wisconsin, and laboratory scientists and technicians that belong to this profession are important members of medical teams across the state, putting their skills and training to use in a variety of settings and meeting the healthcare needs of Wisconsinites 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins individuals and organizations across the state in celebrating the efforts of Wisconsin's medical laboratory professionals and highlights the important role they play in ensuring the health and well-being of all Wisconsinites;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim April 14 through 20 2024 as

MEDICAL LABORATORY PROFESSIONALS 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 at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 29th day of March 2024.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State