WHEREAS; what's best for kids is what's best for the state, and during 2025 the Year of the Kid, it is vital to ensure that every kid in Wisconsin has access to a high-quality education in a safe, clean school environment; and

WHEREAS; whether it's working to care for the local environment, committing to sustainable practices, investing in green infrastructure to provide good air quality in schools, or providing the healthiest possible learning environment for students, green schools contribute to positive outcomes for kids, families, educators, the environment, and communities; and

WHEREAS; green schools are committed to the efficient use of resources, sustainable community practices, uplifting an ecological curriculum for the students they teach, and creating a healthy educational environment with nutritious foods and opportunities for kids to recognize the interconnectedness of the environment and resources we use daily; and

WHEREAS; research shows that green schools provide reduced environmental waste and impact, increased health and well-being of its occupants, and increased environmental literacy skills of its students; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin works to support green schools through the Green & Healthy Schools Wisconsin program, which offers information, resources, and support for all school staff, community members, and others interested in green initiatives for Wisconsin's public and private schools; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins green schools across the state alongside all Wisconsinites in thanking those involved in promoting green schools and healthy communities for the important work they do to promote the academic, social, emotional, and personal success of Wisconsin's students so they can be their best and fullest selves both in and outside the classroom and lead our state in fostering a more sustainable future;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim April 14 2025 as

## **GREEN SCHOOLS 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 2025.	e at the Capitol in the	City of Madison this 3	31st day of March
TONY EVERS, Governor			
By the Governor:			
SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary	v of State		