WHEREAS; hospitals in Wisconsin provide accessible, compassionate, and high-quality healthcare services to the state's residents every day, saving lives and creating opportunities for Wisconsinites to heal from illness or injury and live their best, fullest, and healthiest lives; and

WHEREAS; according to the Wisconsin Hospital Association, Wisconsin's hospitals are among the largest drivers of the state's economy, employing hundreds of thousands of people and creating \$50 billion in economic impact for the state; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's hospitals lead the way in healthcare quality, ranking among the top ten states in the country for patient satisfaction among five-star rated hospitals; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's hospitals act as a crucial safety net for the communities they serve, and in addition to providing quality healthcare, they provide \$2.3 billion worth of community benefits and charity care annually, including uncompensated care and support programs that improve population health in communities across the state; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in thanking and celebrating the contributions made by hospitals across the state for their essential role in delivering safe, effective, and efficient healthcare;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 11 through 17 2025 as

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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 9th day of May 2025.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State