

WHEREAS; National Nursing Assistants Week provides individuals across the state and country with the opportunity to honor hardworking nursing assistants, home care aides, and patient care assistants; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin was one of the first to develop a registry of nursing assistants, and currently, more than 50,000 registered nursing assistants practice across the state; and

WHEREAS; nursing assistants are highly trained and skilled professionals who frequently collaborate with other healthcare providers to ensure quality care for aging and older adults, as well as individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS; nursing assistants are responsible for many aspects of hands-on care in nursing homes and other healthcare settings across Wisconsin, including assistance with daily activities, administration of medication, and monitoring of vitals; and

WHEREAS; beyond just physical care, nursing assistants provide mental, emotional, and social support for many of the state's most vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS; as Wisconsin's population continues to age and as the state continues to face a healthcare workforce shortage, investing in bolstering and strengthening the healthcare and long-term care provider workforce continues to be a top priority to ensure the state can meet the healthcare needs of Wisconsinites today and in the future; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin gives special thanks to nursing assistants for their demonstrated selflessness, sacrifice, and empathy and joins all in recognizing the vital role nursing assistants play in the lives of Wisconsinites;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim June 13 through 19 2024 as

NATIONAL NURSING ASSISTANTS 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 24th day of May 2024.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State