WHEREAS; commonly known as "The Forgotten War," the Korean War began on June 25, 1950, following North Korea's invasion of South Korea, and ended in a ceasefire, marked by the signing of an armistice on July 27, 1953; and

WHEREAS; approximately 132,000 Wisconsinites were among the more than 1.7 million members of the United States Armed Forces who endured harsh combat and severe climatic conditions throughout the war; and

WHEREAS; more than 30,000 U.S. service members, including approximately 800 from Wisconsin, gave their lives in service to our country during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS; in Wisconsin, there are more than 20,000 living veterans of the Korean War, who we commend for their selfless service and sacrifice; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites and all Americans in thanking Korean War veterans for their bravery and sacrifice in service to the nation and the values that we hold most dear;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim July 27 2023 as

KOREAN WAR VETERANS ARMISTICE 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 at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 7th day of July 2023.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State