WHEREAS; according to the National FFA Organization, more than 1 million students participate in FFA chapters across the country, including formal agricultural education instructional programs where they can develop important skills in science, communications, management, and leadership that are key to a successful future career in the agriculture sector; and

WHEREAS; agricultural education in Wisconsin focuses on comprehensive development for student success in and out of the agriculture industry, and this is often done through employing hands-on classroom work that simulates the real-world industry and facilitating school-community partnerships; and

WHEREAS; agricultural educators contribute to strong and effective education in schools while helping to promote careers in agriculture and agricultural education among their students, and as a nationwide shortage of qualified teachers in the field of agricultural education persists, it is important to recruit, retain, and support agricultural educators; and

WHEREAS; on this occasion, the state of Wisconsin joins agricultural education advocates in celebrating the hard work and dedication of Wisconsin's agricultural educators and their positive impact on the emotional and intellectual growth of their students, as well as the success of the state's agricultural sector for generations to come;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim September 17 2026 as

TEACH AG 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 16th day of September 2026.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State