WHEREAS; Toastmasters International is one of the world's leading organizations devoted to communication, public speaking, and leadership, and has over 270,000 members spread across 148 countries, with approximately 1,500 members located in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; since 1924, the mission of the Toastmasters International organization has been to empower individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders; and

WHEREAS; members of Toastmasters understand the importance of improved communication, meeting facilitation, leadership skills, constructive evaluations, and increased self-confidence in professional and personal interactions; and

WHEREAS; Toastmasters opens its doors to individuals of all ages and backgrounds and is committed to providing a positive, supportive learning environment where members are empowered to grow their communication and leadership skills, resulting in increased confidence and personal growth;

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

TOASTMASTERS MONTH

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 25th day of September 2023.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State