

WHEREAS; the metric system, also known as the International System of Units or SI, is a universal decimal-based measurement system that was created to better standardize measurements that are essential to science and technology across different countries, cultures, and languages; and

WHEREAS; the metric system was legally recognized by the United States government in 1866, and its development as an international form of measurement has contributed to advances in commerce, science, and technology, both in the United States and beyond; and

WHEREAS; the metric system is universally used in science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics (STEAM) fields, and fluency in or familiarity with SI is an essential part of career and workforce readiness in the 21st Century and into the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS; National Metric Week draws attention to the economic and educational benefits of using the metric system and emphasizes the value of teaching SI proficiency to strengthen STEAM careers and the advancement of the United States workforce; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins organizations and educational institutions in working towards greater SI literacy in Wisconsin and encouraging Wisconsinites to learn more about the metric system;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim October 5 through 11 2025 as

NATIONAL METRIC 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 19th day of September 2025.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State