

WHEREAS; every day, individuals living and working across Wisconsin enjoy the benefits of being served by a municipal-owned electric utility; and

WHEREAS; public power utilities and their dedicated workers help to ensure thousands of Wisconsinites and their families have access to safe, reliable, and affordable electricity to power their homes and places of business; and

WHEREAS; most of Wisconsin's public power utilities have been in continuous operation for more than a century, helping to build strong communities and contributing to the quality of life in towns, villages, and cities across the state; and

WHEREAS; by operating as not-for-profits, public power utilities are able to focus primarily on providing quality service to their customers and neighbors and remain committed to working safely, maintaining essential services, keeping the public out of harm's way, and enhancing communities; and

WHEREAS; through the input of community members and local decision-making, the city councils, village boards, and utility commissions that oversee community-owned power companies can ensure that the local utility is financially stable, well-run, and responsive to the needs of the individuals who live and work there; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins municipal utility communities along with dedicated advocates and organizations across the state in celebrating the unique operational advantages of municipal-owned public power utilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim October 6 – 12 2024 as

## **PUBLIC POWER 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 27th day of September 2024.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State