

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

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

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

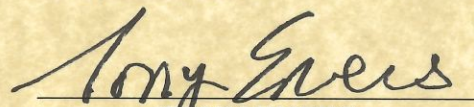
WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins organizations and educational institutions in working towards greater SI literacy in Wisconsin and encouraging Wisconsinites to learn more about the metric system;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim October 6 – 12, 2024, 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 27th day of September 2024.


TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:


SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State