WHEREAS; more than 15,000 individuals across Wisconsin work in the legal profession, including law clerks, mediators, paralegals, legal assistants, legal support workers, and more; and

WHEREAS; Court Observance Week provides an opportunity for all Wisconsinites to recognize the legal support staff who, along with Wisconsin's judges and lawyers, are charged with working to ensure the fair administration of justice in the state; and

WHEREAS; providing vital administration and technical assistance to courts, governments, businesses, and private law firms alike, justice systems at every level depend on the expertise of legal support staff; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins participating organizations, courts, law firms, and more in honoring legal support staff across the state for their proficiency and professionalism, and in encouraging all Wisconsinites to learn more about the functions of the judicial system;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim October 11 through 17 2026 as

COURT OBSERVANCE 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 9th day of October 2026.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State