WHEREAS; spiritual care providers offer emotional, social, and spiritual support to Wisconsinites living in healthcare facilities, nursing homes, correctional facilities, and mental health facilities, among others; and

WHEREAS; spiritual care providers work to inspire personal growth and recovery, support individuals as they navigate life's most challenging moments, and promote the health and well-being of all the individuals and communities they serve, regardless of background, race, income level, identity, or ZIP code; and

WHEREAS; Spiritual Care Week celebrations across the country honor different themes each year, and the theme for 2026 is "Healing Through Presence and Grace," recognizing that there is resilience through transformation; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to expanding services that encourage the vitality of the state's local communities, and thanks spiritual care providers for their service to people across the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim October 18 through 24 2026 as

SPIRITUAL CARE 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 5th day of October 2026.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State