WHEREAS; pastoral care providers offer emotional, social, and spiritual support to Wisconsinites living in healthcare facilities, nursing homes, correctional facilities, and more; and

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

WHEREAS; Pastoral Care Week celebrations honor different themes each year, and the theme for 2025 is "40 Years of Spiritual Support," recognizing the decades of community impact and spiritual services pastoral care providers have and will continue to provide; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to expanding services that encourage a better quality of life for all Wisconsinites and thanks pastoral 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 19 through 25 2025 as

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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 20th day of October 2025.
TONY EVERS, Governor
By the Governor:
SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State