WHEREAS; energy is a fundamental part of Wisconsinites' everyday lives, supporting the most basic daily tasks, such as feeding families, commuting to work, and heating or cooling homes and businesses, as well as generating commerce and fueling economic growth; and

WHEREAS; energy-related industries provide quality careers to more than 8 million Americans, ranging from line workers, engineers, customer service representatives, and accountants to chemists, environmentalists, power plant operators, gas technicians, and more, and this dedicated and skilled workforce serves as the backbone of the nation's energy infrastructure; and

WHEREAS; in 2025, more than 146,000 Wisconsinites worked in energy-related industries, including more than 56,000 employed in energy efficiency, and as demand for energy increases, Wisconsin is working to attract new talent, increasing interest in careers in energy, and maintaining a highly skilled workforce to ensure the continuous efficient delivery of energy throughout the state; and

WHEREAS; access to safe, secure, reliable, and low-cost energy is fundamental to the nation's economic prosperity, national security, and the health and well-being of all Wisconsinites and Americans, and the state of Wisconsin is committed to continuing efforts to cultivate a pipeline of skilled, trained workers to meet the evolving needs of the nation and foster a greater appreciation for the vital role the energy workforce plays in powering lives and fueling the future; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin recognizes the critical role of energy professionals and the invaluable contributions they make on behalf of the state and nation's infrastructure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim October 19 through 23 2026 as

CAREERS IN ENERGY 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 15th day of October 2026.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State