

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 2024 is "Chaplains Beyond Religious Roles," encouraging understanding of pastoral care providers and the range of services they 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 20 through 26 2024 as

## **PASTORAL 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 18th day of October 2024.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State