

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; from entrepreneurs, chefs, and managers to caterers, event planners, and more, women greatly contribute to the success and strength of the state's hospitality industry; and

*WHEREAS*; the National Restaurant Association reports that nearly 40 percent of restaurant businesses across the nation are majority-owned by women, including roughly 30 percent of businesses in Wisconsin; and

*WHEREAS*; underscoring the vital role women have in building the economy and enriching communities, the U.S. Department of Labor further reports that more than 50 percent of employees working in the hospitality industry are women; and

*WHEREAS*; throughout history, women have made significant contributions to the culture, economy, and social fabric of the state, and on this occasion, Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to celebrating women's leadership, strength, and talent as pillars of the hospitality industry; and

*WHEREAS*; today, the state of Wisconsin encourages all Wisconsinites to support women-owned and women-led businesses within the hospitality industry and celebrate the invaluable contributions women have made to both the industry and the economic vitality of Wisconsin;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim October 20, 2025, as

## WISCONSIN WOMEN IN HOSPITALITY DAY

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 8th day of October 2025.

*Tony Evers*  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

*Sarah Godlewski*  
SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State