WHEREAS; free and fair elections are the cornerstone of democracy, and ensuring that every eligible voter can vote safely, securely, and without fear of intimidation is critically important to the functions and success of democracy; and

WHEREAS; while election administration is never an easy responsibility, local clerks, election officials, poll workers, voter education groups, and postal service workers have faced immense, unprecedented challenges over the past few years; and

WHEREAS; it's important to honor election heroes for their commitment to upholding Wisconsin's free and fair election process by promoting voter engagement, participation, and protection, making sure voters have the information they need, and ensuring that every ballot is counted; and

WHEREAS; whether in Wisconsin or nationwide, election heroes never fail to display courage, resilience, and dedication to facilitating safe, secure, and successful elections; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in expressing sincere gratitude and appreciation for all those who work tirelessly to protect the integrity of the electoral system and provide safe, secure, and accessible voting experiences for individuals across the state and country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim October 20 2026 as

ELECTION HERO 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 19th day of October 2026.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State