

WHEREAS; career development services contribute to Wisconsin’s economic prosperity by preparing youth to enter the workforce and helping workers employed at businesses across the state pursue career advancement opportunities; and

WHEREAS; comprehensive career development services are available throughout the state of Wisconsin, including at job centers, online at JobCenterofWisconsin.com, job fairs at schools, and other community-based organizations; and

WHEREAS; the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) operates numerous workforce training programs that provide opportunities for training and employment in high-growth industries, including youth apprenticeships, registered apprenticeships, and programs serving veterans and individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS; DWD has been awarded more than \$20 million from the U.S. Department of Education to increase the employment of people with disabilities in the high-demand fields of IT, healthcare, construction, and manufacturing; and

WHEREAS; in partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Corrections, DWD has invested in preparing justice-involved individuals who anticipate release opportunities to develop their skills to allow them to land a rewarding career before or immediately after their release; and

WHEREAS; as part of a more than \$150 million historic investment, the Workforce Solutions Initiative addresses the state’s post-pandemic workforce needs through the Worker Connection Program and Worker Advancement Initiative, as well as the Workforce Innovation Grant Program that DWD administers in partnership with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins DWD and partners throughout Wisconsin in promoting career development across the state and celebrating its importance to the state’s overall economic prosperity and long-term success;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim November 2023 as

**CAREER DEVELOPMENT MONTH**

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 30th day of October 2023.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State