

WHEREAS; career and technical education improves academic performance, increases graduation rates, and prepares high school students across Wisconsin for postsecondary education and career success; and

WHEREAS; by providing students with core skills and meaningful experiences, career and technical education improves the quality of education in schools, engages students, and provides them with leadership opportunities in their fields and in their communities; and

WHEREAS; career and technical education programs serve as a foundation for our state's strong and highly educated workforce, offering Wisconsin students a reliable school-to-career connection; and

WHEREAS; while profound economic and technological changes in our society have been rapidly reflected in the structure and nature of work, career and technical education in Wisconsin and across the United States continues to foster the spirit of productivity, innovation, and entrepreneurship that has maintained our leadership in the global marketplace; and

WHEREAS; on this occasion, we recognize our career and technical educators for their cooperative efforts with business and industry to stimulate the growth and vitality of our local economies, meet the challenges of new and additional responsibilities on our educational systems, and prepare graduates for career fields that are expected to see major growth in the next decade; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in celebrating our state's proud history as leaders in career and technical education, and in reflecting on the importance of career and technical education to our collective future;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim February 2022 as

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH

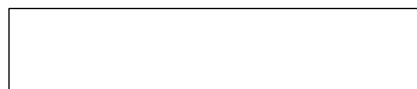
throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance
to all our state's residents.

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 14th day of January 2022.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State