WHEREAS: agriculture is a major economic driver in Wisconsin, contributing $104.8 billion and 435,700 jobs each year to our state's economy; and

WHEREAS: the agriculture industry provides job opportunities in many different areas, from information technology to business management to marketing to hands-on farming and more; and

WHEREAS: agricultural education is a key component of the Wisconsin education system that enhances the social, economic, and environmental well-being of our state; and

WHEREAS: FFA is a dynamic youth organization with over 700,000 members that changes lives and prepares members for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education; and

WHEREAS: the Wisconsin Association of FFA was established in 1929 and has grown to include over 20,000 members in 250 FFA chapters around the state; and

WHEREAS: FFA members are part of a total program in agricultural education, consisting of classroom instruction in agriculture, supervised agricultural experiences where students gain career skills and on-the-job training, and leadership development through the FFA organization;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim February 22 – 29, 2020, as

FFA WEEK

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our citizens.

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 21st day of February 2020.

TONY EVER
GOVERNOR

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State