WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin recognizes that what is best for kids is what's best for the state, which means ensuring that every child in Wisconsin has access to a high-quality public education, regardless of their ZIP code; and

WHEREAS; public education is a right in Wisconsin under Article X, Section 3 of the Wisconsin Constitution, and the need for a strong public education system should be a non-partisan issue; and

WHEREAS; observed annually, Public Schools Week is a time to celebrate public schools in Wisconsin and throughout the county, honor all those who work in public schools, and promote the value of public education; and

WHEREAS; public schools are at the heart of many Wisconsin communities, helping to keep democracy and civil society alive by laying the foundation for good citizenship and inspiring future leaders; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's public education system requires the support and investment of elected officials at every level of government in order to meet the needs of all students and foster strong educational outcomes; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in honoring and celebrating the success and achievements of students and educators in public schools across the state, both in ordinary times and under the extraordinary circumstances of the past few years;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim February 27 through March 3 2023 as

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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 2023.	e at the Capitol in	the City of Madis	son this 30 <sup>th</sup> day o	f January
TONY EVERS, Governor				
By the Governor:				
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secr	retary of State			