WHEREAS, social workers have helped to strengthen the well-being and meet the basic needs of all people for generations, especially our most vulnerable, oppressed, and those living in poverty; and

WHEREAS, social work allows people of various generations, ethnicities, identities, and backgrounds to have immediate, positive effects on our communities; and

WHEREAS, the social work profession is one of the fastest-growing professions in the United States, with more than 777,000 people expected to be employed as social workers by 2028; and

WHEREAS, people in the field of social work are on the frontlines of public policy issues, responding to human needs such as homelessness, poverty, family break-up, mental illness, physical and mental disability, substance abuse, domestic violence, and many other issues; and

WHEREAS, social workers, counselors, and treatment professionals help strengthen our state’s families to support the safety and well-being of Wisconsin’s kids; and

WHEREAS, through their dedication and support, social workers play a key role in advancing the Department of Children and Families’ vision that all Wisconsin kids are safe and loved members of thriving families and communities; and

WHEREAS, this Social Work Month, the State of Wisconsin celebrates the investments social workers across our state make each day to improve the lives of Wisconsin residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim March 2020 as

SOCIAL WORK MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of 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 10th day of February 2020.

[Signature]

TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

The Governor:

[Signature]

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State