

WHEREAS; since 2000, National Work Zone Awareness Week has marked the start of construction season across our country, promoting road worker safety and cautious driving in work zones; and

WHEREAS; no matter where you go in Wisconsin, folks can all agree that we need to provide and support high-quality roads, highways, and bridges; and

WHEREAS; there are typically more than 300 state highway and bridge improvement projects—in addition to other municipality-sponsored construction projects—scheduled across Wisconsin every year that require the establishment of work zones; and

WHEREAS; last year, Wisconsin recorded more than 2,100 work zone crashes that resulted in 857 injuries and 12 fatalities; and

WHEREAS; safe roads, bridges, and highways mean that our kids can ride the school bus safely to school, workers can get to and from their jobs, industries can confidently move products from point A to point B, and visitors and residents, alike, can travel across our beautiful state and safely enjoy all that Wisconsin has to offer; and

WHEREAS; with the passage of Wisconsin Act 115 in December 2021, penalties were increased for traffic violations that result in bodily harm and occur in a road construction area, utility work area, or an emergency response area to defend the safety of the dedicated folks whose jobs take them onto our roads each day; and

WHEREAS; road workers, like all workers, have the right to a safe work environment, and all drivers have the obligation to exercise extra caution when traveling through work zones; and

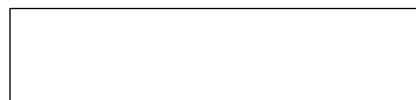
WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins road workers throughout Wisconsin and the United States in advocating for safe driving in work zones;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim April 11-15, 2022, as

NATIONAL WORK ZONE AWARENESS WEEK

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 4th day of March 2022.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State