

WHEREAS; Wisconsin is home to more than one million volunteers who utilize their time and talents daily to make a difference in the lives of kids and adults of all ages in communities across the state; and

WHEREAS; volunteers in Wisconsin contribute more than 160 million hours of service annually, the equivalent of 4.35 billion dollars of labor; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's communities benefit greatly from services performed by volunteers, and volunteers themselves also reap the rewards of improved skills, better health, and happiness that comes from contributing to their communities; and

WHEREAS; volunteers provide a vast array of community supports and activities that support the health, safety, and welfare of their fellow Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's volunteers are a vital resource to the infrastructure of many essential programs within Aging and Disability Resource Centers, independent living centers, county and Tribal aging units, nonprofit organizations, hospitals, schools, faith-based organizations, and more; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin recognizes and honors all Wisconsinites who selflessly invest in the lives of others as volunteers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim April 16 through 22, 2023, as

## **NATIONAL VOLUNTEER 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 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State