WHEREAS; water is our most valuable natural resource, and ensuring access to clean drinking water is a public health priority for our state; and
WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin affirms that clean drinking water should be available to folks regardless of their ZIP code, and that every Wisconsinite should be able to drink straight from their tap without fear of contamination; and
WHEREAS; it is critical that we fund restoration projects, keep science at the forefront of our research and policy making, and work together at the local, state, and federal level to address widespread water contamination; and
WHEREAS; despite recent actions that we have taken which have resulted in advancements in water quality in our state, including investments in the removal of lead service lines, testing for dangerous contaminants, and other projects that address critical water infrastructure issues, we recognize that safe and reliable drinking water continues to be inaccessible for many in our state; and
WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and Wisconsin Department of Health Services in reaffirming its commitment to preventing water pollution and working to ensure safe, clean, and reliable drinking water for every community in Wisconsin;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 1 – 7, 2022, as

DRINKING WATER 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 29th day of April 2022.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State