

WHEREAS; economic growth in the United States has always been driven by the strength and resilience of our small businesses which, even in the face of the coronavirus pandemic, have continued to pioneer innovative solutions to challenges and create opportunities for families and workers across our country; and

WHEREAS; from our biggest cities to our smallest towns, small businesses in Wisconsin are the hearts of our communities, acting as catalysts for our local economies and supporting the livelihoods of so many Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin recognizes that when we support small businesses, we are supporting family-sustaining jobs and the preservation of the unique character of our local communities; and

WHEREAS; in partnership with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) and the Wisconsin Department of Revenue (DOR), the state of Wisconsin has worked tirelessly to get economic relief out the door to help tens of thousands of local small businesses throughout the coronavirus pandemic, and as our state continues to recover, supporting our small businesses has never been more important; and

WHEREAS; recognized nationally since 1963, National Small Business Week serves as a time to highlight the programs and services available to entrepreneurs and small businesses in our state and throughout our country through the United States Small Business Administration (SBA), WEDC, DOR, and other government agencies; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins the SBA, WEDC, DOR, community leaders, local small businesses, and other partners across the public and private sectors in encouraging all Wisconsinites to celebrate local small businesses and the many contributions they make to our communities each and every day;

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

## **NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS 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 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State