

WHEREAS; hospitals in Wisconsin provide accessible, compassionate, and high-quality healthcare services to the state's residents every day of every year, creating opportunities for Wisconsinites to heal from illness or injury and live their best, fullest, and healthiest lives; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's hospitals are among the largest drivers of the state's economy, employing nearly 110,000 people and creating \$47 billion of economic impact for our state; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's hospitals lead the way in healthcare quality, ranking in the top quartile in the nation for quality care by the federal Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality and second best in the nation overall for rural hospitals by the Medicare Beneficiary Quality Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's hospitals act as a crucial safety net for the communities they serve, and in addition to providing healthcare, they provide nearly \$2 billion worth of community benefits and charity care annually, including uncompensated care and support programs that improve population health in communities across the state; and


WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in thanking and celebrating the contributions made by hospitals throughout the state for their essential role in delivering safe, effective, and efficient healthcare;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim May 7 through 13 2023 as

NATIONAL HOSPITAL 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 28th day of April 2023.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State