WHEREAS; every year, National Skilled Nursing Care Week (NSNCW) recognizes the aging and older adults and people with physical or intellectual disabilities who receive care, both at home and in skilled nursing care centers across our state, along with the dedicated caregivers, nurses, staff, and volunteers who provide that care; and

WHEREAS; these past two years, in particular, we recognize our state’s skilled nursing care providers for their demonstrated selflessness, sacrifice, and empathy on the frontlines of the coronavirus pandemic, providing essential care to patients and residents, and working with families to ensure that their loved ones are safe; and

WHEREAS; the theme of this year’s NSNCW, “Creating and Nurturing Connections,” honors the commitment of skilled nursing care center staff in providing compassionate care and essential social connections to their residents during this unprecedented time; and

WHEREAS; on this occasion, we are reminded of the importance of being present and celebrating the small moments, and all Wisconsinites are encouraged to call, visit virtually or in-person, and spend time with loved ones living in long-term care settings; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to providing quality healthcare to all Wisconsinites and joins all skilled nursing care residents, patients, caregivers, nurses, staff, and volunteers in celebrating the important work of skilled nursing care professionals and honoring the valuable contributions of folks in care settings throughout our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 8 through 14 2022 as

NATIONAL SKILLED NURSING CARE 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 10th day of May 2022.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State