## STATE of WISCONSIN



WHEREAS; mental health includes our emotional, psychological, and social well-being, and it affects how we think, feel, act, handle stress, relate to others, and make choices; and

WHEREAS; mental health conditions are real and prevalent in the lives of Wisconsinites of every age and in every corner of our state, and these individuals are our family members, friends, neighbors, classmates, coworkers, community leaders, and more; and

WHEREAS; mental health providers are providers or professionals who work within the field of mental and behavioral health in a variety of different settings, including hospitals, clinics, schools, private practice, and more; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's mental health providers are frontline workers who are dedicated to improving the mental health of individuals, couples, families, and communities; and

WHEREAS; by creating safe spaces where folks can be heard and receive essential support, mental health providers are champions of wellness, defenders of privacy, and advocates for hope and a brighter future; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin honors the dedicated mental health providers working across our state for their critical contributions to the overall health and well-being of all Wisconsinites;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 12, 2022, as

## MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER APPRECIATION DAY

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 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Douglas La Follette Secretary of State