

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; fabrication laboratories—or fab labs—in public schools throughout Wisconsin are providing students with access to the hands-on experience and training necessary to prepare them for the jobs of the 21st century and beyond; and

WHEREAS; fab labs allow students to put into practice concepts they have learned in science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics courses, which will benefit them regardless of the path they choose after high school; and

WHEREAS; in addition to benefitting students, Wisconsin's fab labs are accessible to the community and contribute more broadly to economic development by sparking innovation among local entrepreneurs, inventors, and small businesses; and

WHEREAS; the importance of a capable manufacturing workforce to our collective well-being has never been more evident as we continue to navigate the technical and economic challenges of the coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS; as our state focuses on meeting our workforce needs, we remain committed to continuing to build fab lab capacity to meet demand from our schools and communities; and

WHEREAS; administered by the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC), Wisconsin's Fab Labs Grant Program provides grants to public school districts statewide to purchase equipment to create new labs or expand existing ones; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin, in partnership with WEDC, reaffirms its commitment to supporting fab labs by fostering collaboration and a sharing of resources among schools, technical colleges, and universities throughout our state;

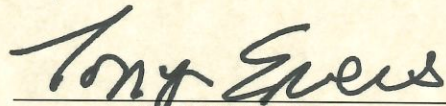
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim May 17, 2022, as

FAB LAB 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 10th day of
May 2022.


TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State