

WHEREAS; for 45 years, National Nursing Assistants Week has provided folks in Wisconsin and across the United States with the opportunity to honor our hardworking nursing assistants, home care aides, and patient care assistants; and

WHEREAS; our state was one of the first to develop a registry of nursing assistants and currently, more than 48,000 registered nursing assistants practice across Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; nursing assistants are highly trained and skilled professionals who frequently collaborate with other healthcare providers to ensure quality care for aging and older Wisconsinites, as well as Wisconsinites with disabilities; and

WHEREAS; these caring professionals provide critical hands-on care in nursing homes and other healthcare settings throughout Wisconsin, along with physical, mental, emotional, and social support for many of our most vulnerable family members, friends, and neighbors; and

WHEREAS; as Wisconsin's population continues to age and as our state continues to face a healthcare workforce shortage, investing in bolstering and strengthening our healthcare and long-term care provider workforce continues to be a top priority to ensure we meet the healthcare needs of Wisconsinites today and in the future; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin gives special thanks to our nursing assistants for their demonstrated selflessness, sacrifice, and empathy, especially over the course of the coronavirus pandemic, and joins all Wisconsinites in recognizing the vital role nursing assistants play in the lives of folks across our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim June 16 through 22, 2022, as

## **NATIONAL NURSING ASSISTANTS 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 2022.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State