

WHEREAS; for 43 years, National Nursing Assistants Week has provided Wisconsin residents with the opportunity to honor our hard-working certified 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, in 2018, introduced the WisCaregiver Career Program, an innovative program designed to recruit, train, and retain up to 3,000 nursing assistants in Wisconsin's nursing home workforce and increase awareness of the value of caregiving; and

WHEREAS; our nursing assistants are well-trained, skilled professionals who frequently collaborate with other healthcare providers to ensure quality care for aging, older, and differently abled Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; these caring professionals provide critical hands-on care in nursing homes and other long-term care settings across Wisconsin, as well as physical, mental, emotional, and social support for many of our most vulnerable family members, friends, and neighbors; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin gives special thanks to our nursing assistants for their demonstrated selflessness, sacrifice, and empathy, providing around-the-clock care to those most vulnerable among us during the COVID-19 pandemic, and joins all Wisconsinites in recognizing the change they can make in the lives of folks across our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim June 18 through 24, 2020, as

## **NATIONAL NURSING ASSISTANTS WEEK**

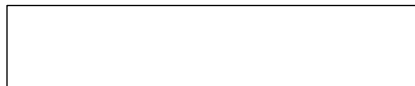
throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.

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 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State