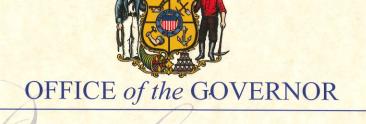
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WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin recognizes the value of innovative architecture that creates dynamic and inviting spaces to live, work, and play while shaping the identity of our communities; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin has a robust forest products industry that creates more than 140,000 jobs and generates more than \$38 billion in economic activity every year; and

WHEREAS; in April 2022, our state announced its first-ever clean energy plan, which—among other important provisions—calls for the use of building materials and systems that rely on renewable resources, generate lower levels of the carbon emissions, and preserve Wisconsin's natural resources while still supporting our forest products industry; and

WHEREAS; mass timber is a renewable, sustainable, safe, and aesthetically desirable alternative for commercial building construction, and it is at the forefront of our state's efforts to modernize its buildings and industry; and

WHEREAS; upon completion, Ascent in Milwaukee will be the tallest mass timber building in the world, making history for the city and for our state as a whole, and serving as a testament to Wisconsin's dedication to making architectural advancements that address the climate crisis; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services, along with partners across the public and private sectors, in celebrating mass timber and the exciting future it represents for sustainable building practices in our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim July 17 – July 23, 2022, as

MASS TIMBER WEEK

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

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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 30th day of June 2022.

GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETT Secretary of State