WHEREAS; the Sugar River State Trail is a scenic, multi-use recreational trail that serves Wisconsinites year-round; and

WHEREAS; located in Green County, the Sugar River State Trail runs 24 miles between the communities of New Glarus, Monticello, Albany, and Brodhead, following the path of the abandoned Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul railroad line that was constructed in the 1880s and purchased by the state of Wisconsin on July 27, 1972; and

WHEREAS; the Sugar River State Trail was designated as a National Recreational Trail in 1974; and

WHEREAS; the Sugar River State Trail showcases fourteen trestle bridges, including one covered bridge over the Sugar River and its tributaries, and passes by farmlands, woods, rolling hills, remnant prairies, and exposed rock cliffs, as well as through a state wildlife area; and

WHEREAS; from Bump Road to Exeter Crossing Road, the Sugar River State Trail is part of the Ice Age National and State Scenic Trail, which winds for more than 1,000 miles through Wisconsin along the terminal edge of the last glacier to cover our state; and

WHEREAS; on this occasion, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in celebrating 50 years of the Sugar River State Trail and its many contributions to tourism, recreation, and stewardship in our state:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim July 27 2022 as the

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SUGAR RIVER STATE TRAIL

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 17th day of June 2022.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State