WHEREAS; paralegals working throughout Wisconsin play a vital role in delivering legal services to the public for law firms, private corporations, banks, insurance companies, non-profit organizations, and government agencies; and

WHEREAS; the paralegal profession requires extensive knowledge of the law and legal procedures, exemplary organizational skills, and the ability to adapt and perform a wide range of tasks to assist with legal work; and

WHEREAS; founded in 2004, the Paralegal Association of Wisconsin, Inc. (PAW) actively works with organizations and government bodies, from the local to the federal level, to inform the bench, bar, and general public on the effective utilization of paralegal services and to advance the professional recognition of paralegals; and

WHEREAS; we commend the paralegals and individuals interested in paralegal services who attend the annual education seminars and law-related vendor exhibitions conducted by the PAW, and who have been recognized by the State Bar of Wisconsin Certified Paralegal™ program for their competency and demonstrated commitment to continuing their legal education; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins the Paralegal Association of Wisconsin, its more than 200 members, and the over 3,800 paralegals it represents statewide in recognizing the important services that paralegals provide to our institutions and to the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim July 31, 2020, as

PARALEGAL 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 9th day of June 2020.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State