WHEREAS; nonprofits function as vital change-makers in our communities, serving as partners to local, state, and national government entities by providing a variety of services—from pro bono legal work to healthcare services to educational resources and environmental conservation support—to folks in need across our state and throughout our country; and

WHEREAS; while Wisconsin’s nonprofits were particularly hard hit by the coronavirus pandemic, our nonprofit sector—aided by strategic state investment—continues to recover, with our counties housing anywhere between a handful of registered nonprofits to several hundred, totaling over 30,000 statewide; and

WHEREAS; according to a 2019 report compiled by the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee, our nonprofit sector accounts for nearly 12 percent of our state’s employment and generates more than $46.5 billion in revenue annually; and

WHEREAS; we recognize that our nonprofits strengthen our communities by creating spaces that foster the public good, facilitate civic engagement, and translate vision into action; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin commends our nonprofit sector for its resilience and invaluable contributions to our state, and thanks the thousands of hardworking staff and volunteers who invest their time and expertise into our state’s civic infrastructure;

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

NATIONAL NONPROFIT 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 22nd day of July 2022.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State