WHEREAS; clinical nurse specialists are advanced practice registered nurses who provide valuable insight and leadership in patient care and the development of nursing knowledge and skills, with the goal of continuously improving patient outcomes and the nursing profession; and

WHEREAS; as critical members of our state’s healthcare workforce, clinical nurse specialists function as practitioners, coordinators, consultants, educators, and researchers, and their influence on the quality and safety of healthcare in Wisconsin is well-documented and worthy of recognition; and

WHEREAS; clinical nurse specialists working in hospitals and other healthcare settings throughout our state have advanced degrees in nursing practice and are uniquely prepared to demonstrate leadership skills and clinical expertise; and

WHEREAS; clinical nurse specialists improve patient outcomes through evidence-based practices, establishing nursing practice standards, developing best practice models, and collaborating with other healthcare leaders to enhance quality of care and patient safety; and

WHEREAS; the safe, cost-effective, and high-quality healthcare services provided by our state’s nursing workforce—including our clinical nurse specialists—are increasingly important assets in supporting Wisconsin’s healthcare delivery system; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin commends the work of clinical nurse specialists and encourages all Wisconsinites to learn more about their contributions to the health and well-being of individuals and communities across our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim September 1 through 7, 2022 as

CLINICAL NURSE SPECIALIST RECOGNITION 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 2nd day of September 2022.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State