WHEREAS Wisconsin has a rich and storied tradition of hunting and angling; and

WHEREAS our state's hunters and anglers were among the first conservationists in our state to support establishing a statewide conservation commission, now known as the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR), to focus on preserving and protecting wildlife and their habitats; and

WHEREAS through license fees and self-imposed excise taxes on things like firearms and ammunition, fishing tackle, and motorboat fuels, Wisconsin's hunters and anglers help fund the efforts of the DNR to this day, generating millions of dollars for the agency's conservation efforts each year; and

WHEREAS established in 1972, National Hunting and Fishing Day has for 50 years served as an opportunity to recognize and celebrate hunters and anglers throughout our state and country for their efforts in fish and wildlife conservation; and

WHEREAS today, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in celebrating our state's hunters and anglers and the many social, cultural, economic, and ecological benefits of these time-honored traditions in our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim September 24, 2022, as

NATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING 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 26th day of August 2022.

TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State