WHEREAS; Careers in Construction Month is observed annually to celebrate, support, and increase public awareness and appreciation of construction professionals and the entire construction workforce; and

WHEREAS; the construction industry is one of the nation's largest industries, employing more than 7 million individuals across the United States, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics; and

WHEREAS; as the industry continues to grow and the demand for skilled construction professionals persists, the importance of increasing hiring and job training in this sector continues to be of critical importance to both the state and nation; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin has been proud to support and advance efforts to promote the long-term success of the state's construction industry, including by developing new occupational pathways for youth to pursue careers in the industry through the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development's Youth Apprenticeship Program and investing in projects and initiatives that provide youth critical job and educational training for careers in construction through the state's Workforce Innovation Grant Program; and

WHEREAS; throughout the month of October, employers, associations, and educational institutions are encouraged to conduct job fairs, panel discussions, and local community events to inform students of the vast employment and advancement opportunities available in the field of construction; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins dedicated individuals and organizations across our state and country in honoring our state's construction and craft professionals for their hard work and dedication, and the critical role they play in the continued development and maintenance of our state;

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

## **CAREERS IN CONSTRUCTION MONTH**

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 2022.	e at the (	Capitol in	the City of	of Madison	this 23	<sup>rd</sup> day o	of Septembe
TONY EVERS, Governor	J						
By the Governor:							

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State