WHEREAS: medical coding is defined by AAPC as “the transformation of healthcare diagnoses, procedures, medical services, and equipment into universal alphanumeric codes”; and
WHEREAS: medical coders process high volumes of intricate medical cases every hour, translating diagnostic data and advanced technical medical language into data that can be used by healthcare providers to inform patient care; and
WHEREAS: professional medical coders work tirelessly to improve patient safety, ensure quality patient care, and maintain ethical coding of medical claims; and
WHEREAS: the work of medical coders tells the story of each patient with speed and efficiency, helping to support the healthcare delivery system as a whole; and
WHEREAS: in addition to adhering to a strict ethical standard and employing a keen attention to detail, medical coders are required to continuously educate themselves on ever-changing coding updates, federal regulations, and newly mandated initiatives; and
WHEREAS: medical coders continue to be leaders in tracking vital data related to the coronavirus pandemic, adjusting to new clinical codes and new procedure codes for telehealth visits; and
WHEREAS: today, the state of Wisconsin commends all medical coders for the important work they do every day to support healthcare providers, institutions, and patients across our state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim October 3 2022 as

MEDICAL CODERS 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 12th day of September 2022.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State