

WHEREAS; the hardworking and selfless individuals of Wisconsin's trucking industry dedicate their professional lives to ensuring that goods of all kinds are delivered safely and efficiently to communities, schools, businesses, and homes across our state each and every day; and

WHEREAS; in Wisconsin, it is estimated that 84 percent of total manufactured tonnage is transported by trucks, amounting to approximately 311,023 tons per day, and that 77 percent of communities depend exclusively on trucks to move their goods; and

WHEREAS; truck drivers often work long hours, in harsh conditions, and under stressful circumstances in order to transport the necessities of life to families across Wisconsin, all while sacrificing time with their own families for days and even weeks at a time; and

WHEREAS; throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, professional truck drivers have worked diligently to keep our state's grocery stores, pharmacies, hospitals, and clinics well-stocked with vital daily supplies—from fresh produce, foodstuffs, and other essential household items to life-saving blood, medicine, and diagnostic equipment—despite the risk of being exposed to the virus themselves while on the job; and

WHEREAS; professional truck drivers have also played a critical role in supporting the distribution of COVID-19 vaccines, transporting millions of doses to Wisconsinites in every corner of our state; and

WHEREAS; today, the state of Wisconsin joins the Wisconsin Motor Carriers Association and all Wisconsinites in recognizing our state's unsung highway heroes for their hard work, dedication, and service, both during ordinary times and under the extraordinary circumstances of the past year and a half;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim October 4, 2021, as

WISCONSIN TRUCK DRIVER APPRECIATION 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 30th day of September 2021.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State