WHEREAS; physician assistants (PAs) throughout our state contribute to the well-being and quality of life of all Wisconsinites by playing an essential role in the delivery of quality, cost-effective, accessible, and patient-centered healthcare services; and

WHEREAS; PAs are academically and clinically prepared medical professionals who diagnose illness, develop and manage treatment plans, and can even serve as a patient’s principal healthcare provider; and

WHEREAS; PAs are often the first point of contact for patients, helping them to understand their medical needs and empowering them to become effective advocates for their own health; and

WHEREAS; as valuable assets to medical teams across Wisconsin, PAs provide critical healthcare services to patients, often in medically underserved and rural areas; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin thanks all physician assistants serving communities throughout our state for their dedication, many contributions to patients’ lives, and commitment to providing effective and efficient team-based healthcare services;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim October 6 through 12, 2021, as

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT 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 30th day of September 2021.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State