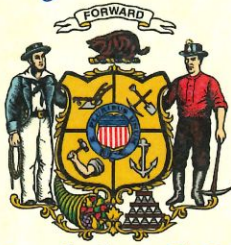


STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's firefighters bravely serve and protect people and communities across our state; and

WHEREAS; as Wisconsinites, we are grateful for our firefighters and their commitment to public service and safety; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin Firefighters Memorial Day is celebrated every fall as a day to remember the firefighters we have lost over the course of the year and, in 2021, will be taking place on October 9; and

WHEREAS; to date, the names of 325 firefighters are engraved on the Memorial Wall of the Wisconsin State Firefighters Memorial in Ben Hansen Park in Wisconsin Rapids; and

WHEREAS; on this occasion, the state of Wisconsin joins the Wisconsin State Firefighters Memorial, Inc., and all Wisconsinites in honoring the courage, selflessness, and sacrifice of the firefighting heroes throughout our state who have lost their lives while serving their communities; and

WHEREAS; special recognition is given to the families and representatives of Paramedic Lieutenant Odell Minor (Milwaukee Fire Department), Driver/Engineer Mitchell Lundgaard (Appleton Fire Department), Firefighter Brian Serdyski (Union Grove-Yorkville Fire Department), EMS Captain Kelly Raether (Ixonia Fire and EMS), Firefighter Dave Tomlinson (Poynette Dekorra Fire Department), and Chief Donald Kittelson (Clayton Fire Department), who lost their lives in 2019 and 2020; and

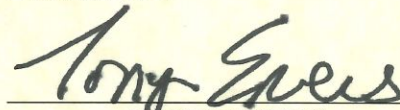
WHEREAS; today, the memory of all those who have made the ultimate sacrifice while serving in the line of duty as members of our state's fire services will be honored with a Final Alarm Ceremony at the Wisconsin State Firefighters Memorial, to help family members and fellow fire department members in their grieving process and let them know that the service and sacrifice of their loved ones and colleagues will never be forgotten;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim October 9, 2021, as


WISCONSIN FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL 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 6th day of
October 2021.


TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

