STATE of WISCONSIN



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WHEREAS; in addition to serving our state's kids, afterschool programs support working parents and contribute to the strength of our communities by engaging families with schools and community partners to develop positive relationships; and

WHEREAS; "Lights On Afterschool" is a national celebration of afterschool programs that promotes the importance of quality afterschool programs in the lives of children, families, and communities; and

WHEREAS; there is persistent, unmet demand for quality afterschool programs within our state and throughout our country, with many afterschool programs facing severe funding crises and many students without a safe and stimulating place to go at the end of each school day; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin is committed to investing in the health and safety of young people throughout our state by expanding access to continued learning opportunities that will help close the achievement gap and encourage continued, intergenerational success within our communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim October 24, 2019, as

LIGHTS ON AFTER SCHOOL DAY

throughout the state of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our citizens.

By the Governor:

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 19th day of October 2019.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State