WHEREAS, apprenticeship training provides Wisconsin's employers with highly skilled workers that are invested in their learning and longevity; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's apprenticeship program is one of the most robust in the country and began with the United States' first regulated apprenticeship law, passed in 1911; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's apprenticeship program facilitates collaboration between the Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards in the Department of Workforce Development's Division of Employment and Training and the Wisconsin Technical College System, the Wisconsin Apprenticeship Advisory Council, the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Apprenticeship, and many representatives from labor, management, and business entities throughout our state; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin apprenticeship community is committed to continued innovation, creating an apprenticeship-based talent pipeline in new industries, building a bridge from youth to registered apprenticeships, offering more opportunities for pre-apprenticeship certification for incarcerated individuals, and supporting a strong pool of skilled workers for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin proudly recognizes its 13,000 active apprentices and 5,000 youth apprentices who are earning their livelihoods while learning the skills necessary to maintain quality jobs now and into the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim November 11 – 17, 2019, as

APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

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

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 4th day of November 2019.

TONY EVER
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State