

WHEREAS; our farmers and agricultural workers play, as they always have, an essential role in the health and well-being of folks across our state, supplying nutritious food, economic prosperity, and a dignified way of life for generations of Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; there are approximately 110,000 producers operating nearly 65,000 farms across Wisconsin, collectively producing fuel, fiber, and food for millions of people around the world every year; and

WHEREAS; we recognize that it is necessary to listen to farmers and their families in order to best address the crisis facing our farms, meet the needs of all Wisconsinites, and move toward a sustainable future for farming in our great state; and

WHEREAS; ensuring the prosperity of our farms and agricultural industries not only benefits our rural communities, but ensures the vitality of our state's suburban neighborhoods and urban centers, as well, and builds upon the collaborative network of partnerships, organizations, and urban and rural agriculture providers that sustain communities throughout Wisconsin and around the world; and

WHEREAS; programs like the Wisconsin Farm Center, administered by the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, are dedicated to supporting the day-to-day and long-term needs of our farmers and their families; and

WHEREAS; on this occasion, we are reminded that the vitality of Wisconsin's farmers, their families, and our state's agricultural industry depends on mutual collaboration between state and local government coalitions, departments, and community organizations, as well as agriculture, energy, and infrastructure professionals; and

WHEREAS; this week provides an opportunity for all Wisconsinites to reflect on where our food comes from, to honor the hard work of those who grow, harvest, process, and deliver our food to our shelves and tables, and to celebrate the contributions of all Wisconsin farmers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim November 15 – 21, 2020, as

## **WISCONSIN FARM-CITY 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 2020.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State