WHEREAS; computer technology has become an integral part of our culture, changing how people interact with each other and the world around them, transforming industries and creating new fields of commerce, driving innovation in all fields of science, and bolstering productivity in many economic sectors; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to expanding access to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics—or STEM—education, which includes access to qualified computer science educators and technology in schools; and

WHEREAS; by giving students a chance to participate in high-quality computer science activities through age-appropriate curricula, work shadowing, and educational scholarships, we can expose the next generation to opportunities in a burgeoning industry and instill critical thinking skills that will serve them throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS; Computer Science Education Week is traditionally celebrated during the second week of December, in honor of Grace Murray Hopper—one of the first women in the field of computer science—who laid the foundation for many subsequent advancements in computer technology and whose birthday was December 9; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins computer science students and educators, programmers and developers, and other professionals in celebrating Computer Science Education Week, and thanks them for their ongoing contributions to the prosperity of our great state;

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

COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION 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 19th day of November 2021.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State