WHEREAS, based on her observations of children and the manner by which they learn, Dr. Maria Montessori developed an innovative philosophy of education in the early 1900s that continues to influence learning across Wisconsin and the world; and

WHEREAS, a system for education for children from birth through the age of 18, the Montessori program uses Maria Montessori's own methods, materials, techniques, and observations to support students' natural development, encourage their learning, creativity, collaboration, independence, self-confidence, and advance the principles of peace through responsible citizenship as well as fair and equal treatment within society; and

WHEREAS, the Montessori Method includes developmental teaching, small group lessons, and the promotion of respect among children and peace to humankind;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim February 24 – March 2, 2019 as

MONTESSORI EDUCATION WEEK

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of 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 15th day of February 2019.

[Signature]
TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

[Signature]
DOUGLAS LAUDELLE
Secretary of State