STATE of WISCONSIN



WHEREAS; Wisconsin is experiencing a significant shortage of, and a growing demand for, qualified workers who are capable of managing, supervising, and providing high-quality services and supports for older adults; and

WHEREAS; the Wisconsin population of adults aged 65 and older will increase from 894,920 in 2015 to 1,535,365 in 2040, a 72% increase; and

WHEREAS; the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services estimates that nearly 70% of people who reach the age of 65 will ultimately need some form of long-term service and support; and

WHEREAS; the nation will need 2.5 million long-term service and support workers by 2030 to keep up with the growth of America's aging population; and

WHEREAS; the long-term service and support field offers a wide variety of employment opportunities, including nursing, social work, culinary, activities, communication, finance, administration, and information technology; and

WHEREAS; many long-term service and support providers have deep roots in the communities they serve, offering sources of employment that remain stable over time; and

WHEREAS; in many communities, long-term service and support providers constitute the largest source of employment; and

WHEREAS; working with older adults in long-term service and support can provide an intellectually and emotionally satisfying and meaningful career;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim the week of March 3-9, 2019 as

CAREERS IN AGING WEEK

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

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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 25th day of February 2019.

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By the Governor:

Douglas LA FOLLETTE Secretary of State