WHEREAS: supporting science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education is vital to the intellectual and economic future of the State of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS: through Wisconsin's Project Lead the Way (PLTW) more than 470 schools and business partners have made critical efforts to close the disparity between the number of STEM-field college graduates and the number of skilled workers needed in STEM industries; and

WHEREAS: "Project Lead the Way Week" in Wisconsin is a statewide, collaborative project, with an aim to involve as many STEM-centered organizations, business and education institutions in cities and municipalities across the state; and

WHEREAS: many of the schools and business in Wisconsin that are trying to address the need of the Wisconsin workforce in kindergarten through college education are working to reform the educational system and are committed to high expectations for all students through inspiring intellectual curiosity and building a state of collaborative problem solvers, critical thinkers, innovators, and entrepreneurs; and

WHEREAS: the goal of celebrating PLTW Week in Wisconsin is to inspire parents, principals, teachers, superintendents, and business in Wisconsin to focus on PLTW programming and STEM education in our schools; and

WHEREAS: students from across the state have set up PLTW capstone projects and engineering designs at the State Capitol on Tuesday, April 16th, 2019, to celebrate all of these efforts;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim April 15-19 2019 as

PROJECT LEAD THE WAY 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 9th day of April 2019.

TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State