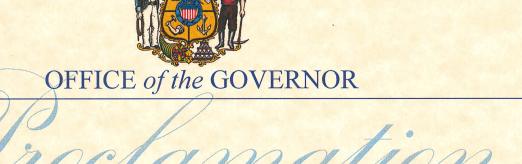
## STATE of WISCONSIN



WHEREAS; for more than 150 years, Wisconsin's 24 private, nonprofit colleges and universities have provided quality higher education to Wisconsin citizens; and

WHEREAS; more than 56,000 Wisconsin students are enrolled in a private, nonprofit college or university, and each year they receive almost one-quarter of the state's college and university bachelor's degrees, and nearly 37 percent of graduate degrees issued in our state; and

WHEREAS; each year, Wisconsin's private, nonprofit colleges and universities distribute more than \$565 million of privately raised student aid to 96 percent of undergraduate students, thereby increasing the affordability of these institutions for students from all social and economic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS; the private, nonprofit colleges and universities in Wisconsin emphasize creativity, critical thinking skills, and a broad interdisciplinary approach to education that contributes to the growth of leaders in our great state; and

WHEREAS; alongside Wisconsin's public institutions, Wisconsin's private, nonprofit colleges and universities are important for our state's economy; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's private, nonprofit colleges and universities are leading the nation in controlling college costs through the "WAICU Collaboration Project," which strives to make quality education affordable for qualified students; and

WHEREAS; Alverno College, Bellin College, Beloit College, Cardinal Stritch University, Carroll University, Carthage College, Concordia University Wisconsin, Edgewood College, Herzing University, Lakeland University, Lawrence University, Marian University, Marquette University, Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design, Milwaukee School of Engineering, Mount Mary University, Nashotah House, Northland College, Ripon College, St. Norbert College, Silver Lake College of the Holy Family, Viterbo University, and Wisconsin Lutheran College acting together as the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities have organized an opportunity for Wisconsin high school students and their families to learn about their diverse opportunities for higher education;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim July 8 – 13, 2019 as

## WISCONSIN PRIVATE COLLEGES WEEK

throughout the State of Wisconn, I I commend this observance to all 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 28<sup>th</sup> day of June 2019.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State