## STATE of WISCONSIN



Proclamation

WHEREAS; Wisconsin is home to 17 million acres of forested land, both public and private, that provide vital raw material to the forest products industry, recreational opportunities, and critical ecosystem operations; and

WHEREAS; the forest products sector contributes to the overall economic prosperity of Wisconsin, generating billions of dollars in goods and services annually and employing tens of thousands of Wisconsinites; and

WHEREAS; companies in Wisconsin's forest products industry and in the logging and forestry support sectors produce a wide variety of products Americans use daily, ranging from paper to doors, furniture, and food packaging; and

WHEREAS; forest management provides a renewable resource to meet the global demand for a wide range of forest products and keeps Wisconsin as number one in the nation for papermaking; and

WHEREAS; healthy forests provide essential benefits, including clean air and water, wildlife habitat, carbon storage, flood mitigation, recreation, and scenic beauty, and this week, the state of Wisconsin encourages all Wisconsinites to recognize and celebrate forests for the resources they provide, as well as the important role that the forest products industry has played in the state's history, economy, and culture;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim October 19 – 25, 2025, as

## FOREST PRODUCTS 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 7th day of October 2025.

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By the Governor:

SARAH GODDEWSKI Secretary of State dewst,