

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin is home to more than 142,400 women-owned businesses, representing one-third of all businesses in the state; and

WHEREAS; women-owned business are also job creators, employing 168,000 fellow citizens and injecting more than \$4 billion payroll dollars and \$2 billion in annual revenues into the state and local economies; and

WHEREAS; by starting and sustaining businesses, exploring markets, creating jobs, and stimulating economic growth, Wisconsin's women business owners play a leading role in the state's economy; and

WHEREAS; the Women's Council and the Wisconsin Department of Administration's Supplier Diversity Program both work to advance state priorities on business/job creation and support women's business ownership in Wisconsin;

WHEREAS; we salute and congratulate today's women business owners who inspire the next generation of women business owners to follow their entrepreneurial passions and dreams;


NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the state of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim October 2016 as

WOMEN'S SMALL BUSINESS MONTH

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 29th day of September 2016.


SCOTT WALKER
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State