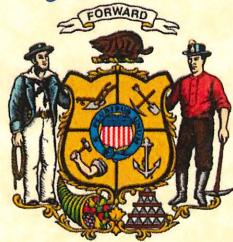


STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; Labor Day, the first Monday in September, is a day for us to honor and celebrate the grit, resilience, and dedication of workers and working families; and

WHEREAS; the first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City, and, in 1884, the first Monday in September was selected for annual observance; and

WHEREAS; a decade later in 1894, Congress passed an act officiating the first Monday in September of each year as a legal holiday; and

WHEREAS; American workers and labor unions have contributed significantly to improved standards of living and work through their persistence and advocacy, helping to secure 40-hour work weeks, overtime compensation, a minimum wage, Social Security, family leave, other earned benefits, and the right to collectively bargain for future generations of workers; and

WHEREAS; Labor Day provides an opportunity for Wisconsinites to reflect on the contributions of workers and working families, and to be reminded of the dignity of work and the importance of every job, from farmers to steelworkers, educators to laborers, and personal care workers to food services employees; and

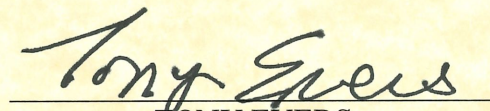
WHEREAS; on this and each Labor Day, we renew our commitment to fighting for equal pay, livable wages, safe and inclusive workplaces, and an economy that works for everyone by striving for closing the gender pay gap for women and women of color, making healthcare and benefits accessible and affordable, protecting the right to organize, and ensuring no one is denied an employment opportunity because of who they are or who they love;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim Monday, September 2, 2019, as

LABOR DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin and 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 30th day of August 2019.


TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

