WHEREAS: social workers promote the economic and social well-being of all people, especially those most in need of a helping hand; and

WHEREAS: social work is done by professionals with a variety of backgrounds who are devoted to helping people overcome difficult situations and cope with the trauma they have experienced; and

WHEREAS: social work improves the foundation of society by caring for people in all stages of life and assisting others in meeting the basic needs of all people, especially our most vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS: people in the field of social work are on the frontlines of public policy issues, responding to human needs such as homelessness, poverty, family break-up, mental illness, physical and mental disability, substance abuse, domestic violence, and many other issues; and

WHEREAS: social workers, counselors, and treatment professionals have the experience to guide parents, foster parents, and legal guardians through complex issues and choices; and

WHEREAS: the field of social work incorporates a trauma-informed approach to help people regain hope, find a path to recovery, and regain control of their lives; and

WHEREAS: social workers help millions of Americans achieve change and make decisions that improve their lives.

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

SOCIAL WORK 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 15th day of February 2019.

TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State