STATE *of* WISCONSIN

OFFICE *of the* GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; according to Feeding America, one in six kids face hunger in Wisconsin, and food insecurity among kids increases during the summer months as low-income families struggle to make up for the loss of school-based meals; and

WHEREAS; summer meal programs, like the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) administered by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction's Bureau of Community Nutrition, help ensure kids receive regular and adequate nutrition all year long by providing free and healthy food options for kids and families struggling with food insecurity; and

WHEREAS; SFSP organizations can be run by schools, summer camps, local or regional governments, institutions of higher education, or private nonprofit organizations, all collaborating to provide meals to the widest possible range of kids across the state; and

WHEREAS; SFSP sponsors can increase participation in summer meals by sourcing local food items, thereby improving the quality and appeal of meals and keeping kids engaged through fun, hands-on activities; and

WHEREAS; the summer months provide a unique opportunity for schools to integrate locally sourced foods and to test new recipes, and regional producers benefit from a reliable outlet for their products during these months; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to ensuring that every kid in Wisconsin receives high-quality and nutritious meals year-round and that no kid goes hungry this summer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim June 14 – 20, 2026, as

SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM 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 28th day of May 2026.

Tony Evers

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GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Sarah Godlewski

SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State