

**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION**

**HONORING**

*Wisconsin Agricultural Tourism Association*  
**30TH ANNIVERSARY**

*WHEREAS*; from farm-to-table events to corn mazes and hayrides to petting zoos and pick-your-own patches, Wisconsin's agricultural tourism industry plays a critical role in the state's economy and provides an opportunity for visitors to learn about and experience agricultural operations, such as farms, orchards, ranches, vineyards, and more; and

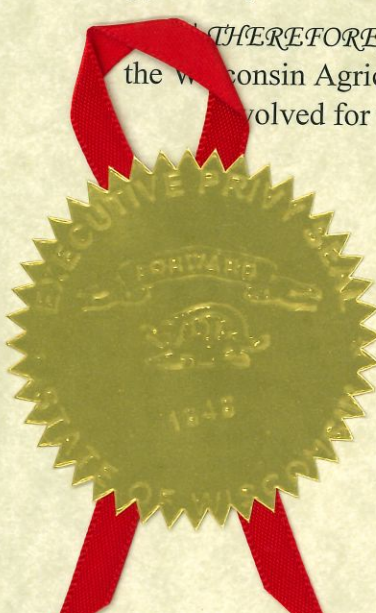
*WHEREAS*; many farmers and producers rely on the agricultural tourism industry for supplemental income throughout the year; and

*WHEREAS*; established in 1993, the Wisconsin Agricultural Tourism Association (WATA) was created in response to growing consumer curiosity about the operations and systems responsible for Wisconsin's food, fuel, and fiber; and

*WHEREAS*; WATA provides an opportunity to honor the contributions of farmers, ranchers, growers, producers, and foresters throughout the state and provides consumers with the opportunity to learn more about the operations, growers, farmers, and ranchers that feed them;

*THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby congratulate the Wisconsin Agricultural Tourism Association upon its 30th anniversary, and thank everyone involved for their dedicated service to our agricultural tourism industry and state.

DONE ON THIS 7TH DAY OF JULY 2023.



*Tony Evers*

TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR