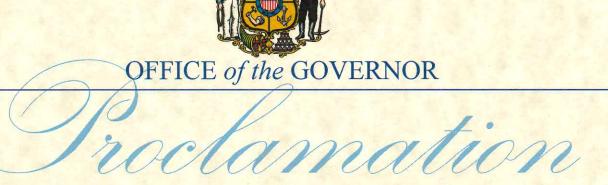
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WHEREAS; the construction industry is one of our nation's largest industries, employing more than 116,500 in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; it is estimated that the construction industry will need two million new craft professionals by 2018; and

WHEREAS; Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) of Wisconsin's Apprenticeship and Training Trust maintains the single largest construction apprenticeship program in Wisconsin, currently training more than 1,000 apprentices in the construction trades; and

WHEREAS; ABC of Wisconsin and its more than 825 members are doing their part to close the skills gap and increase the quality of the workforce by visiting schools and attending jobs fairs to inform young adults and displaced workers about opportunities that lead to long-term rewarding careers in construction; and

WHEREAS; it is important to increase public awareness and appreciation of construction professionals and the critical role they play in the development of our state;

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

## CAREERS IN CONSTRUCTION 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

> SCOTT WALKER GOVERNOR

this 15<sup>th</sup>

city of Madison

August 2016.



By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State