

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; the citizens of the state of Wisconsin support quality after-school programs and opportunities because they provide safe, challenging, and engaging learning experiences that help children develop social, emotional, physical, and academic skills; and

WHEREAS; after-school programs support working families by ensuring their children are safe and productive after the regular school day ends; and

WHEREAS; after-school programs build stronger communities by involving students, parents, business leaders, and adult volunteers in the lives of young people, thereby promoting positive relationships among youth, families, and adults; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin has provided significant leadership in the area of community involvement in the education and well-being of our youth, grounded in the principle that quality after-school programs are key to helping our children become successful adults; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin recognizes the importance of investing in the health and safety of all young people and supporting expanded learning opportunities that will help close the achievement gap and prepare young people to compete in the global economy; and

WHEREAS; "Lights On Afterschool," the national celebration of after-school programs held this year on Thursday, October 20, 2016, promotes the importance of quality after-school programs in the lives of children, families, and communities;

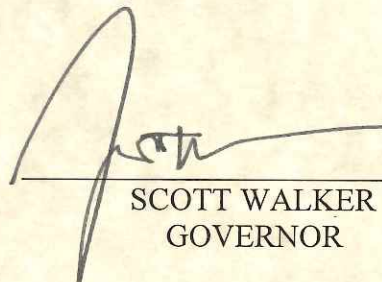
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the state of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim Thursday, October 20, 2016 as

"LIGHTS ON AFTERSCHOOL" DAY

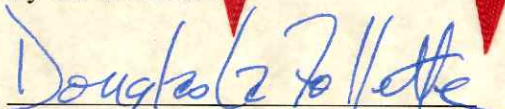
throughout the state of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.



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 7th day of October 2016.


SCOTT WALKER
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State