

# STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; Wisconsin has 17.1 million acres of forested land, both public and private, and forestry is the number one employer in 10 counties and its economic impact reaches every corner of the state; and

*WHEREAS*; the forest products sector contributes to the overall economic prosperity of Wisconsin, generating \$24.7 billion in goods and services annually and employing more than 64,000 citizens; and

*WHEREAS*; primary and secondary forest products businesses help shape our state's economy with forest products-related jobs making up to 14 percent of all manufacturing jobs in the state; and

*WHEREAS*; active forest management provides a renewable resource to meet the global demand for a wide range of forest products and keeps Wisconsin as number one in the nation for papermaking, a position it has held for more than 50 years; and

*WHEREAS*; more than 1,200 companies in Wisconsin's forest products industry (with another 280 in the logging and forestry support sectors) produce a wide variety of products we use daily, ranging from paper to doors, windows, and flooring; and

*WHEREAS*; Wisconsin's forests, and the renewable resources they provide, are an important part of the state's history, economy, and culture;

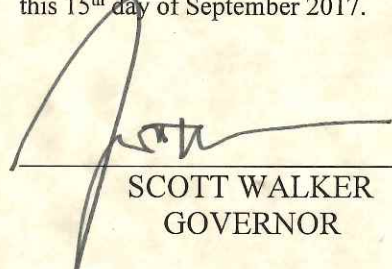
*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim the week of October 15 – 21, 2017 as

### FOREST PRODUCTS WEEK

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 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2017.

  
SCOTT WALKER  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State