STATE of WISCONSIN



WHEREAS; excellence in education is vital to the success of our nation and state, and in the great State of Wisconsin, we seek the betterment of our citizens and look to instill a good education in each child; and

WHEREAS; by preparing our students for the responsibilities and opportunities of the future, education develops the intellect through lessons in literacy, math, and science; and

WHEREAS; one shining example for all people of what education ought to be was provided by the late Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Schneerson, a global spiritual leader who dedicated his life to the betterment of mankind and emphasized the importance of education and good character; and

WHEREAS; the Rebbe taught that education, in general, should not be limited to the acquisition of knowledge and preparation for a career, but that we must think in terms of the betterment of society as a whole, and that the educational system must pay more attention to the building of character, with emphasis on moral and ethical values; and

WHEREAS; in recognition of the Rebbe's outstanding and lasting contributions toward world education, morality, and acts of charity, he was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal, and the United States Congress established his birth date, April 7, as a national day to raise awareness and strengthen the education of our children; and

WHEREAS; the character of our young people is strengthened by serving a cause greater than self and by the anchor of virtues including courage and compassion, and by instilling a spirit of service in our children, we create a more optimistic future for them and our state;

> NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim Friday, April 7, 2017 as

EDUCATION AND SHARING 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 April 2017.

> SCOTT WALKER GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State