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Dedicated Colleagues:

I write today to express my sincere gratitude for the dedication, humility, and perseverance that all of you demonstrate every day—and to share some good news! Thanks to our work together to get our bipartisan biennial budget across the finish line, Wisconsin's kids, families, and communities will benefit all across our state, including our state workforce.

I fought hard in our bipartisan budget negotiations to secure much deserved pay increases for our talented state workers, and last month, I was proud to sign our 2025-27 Biennial Budget, which included **a three percent General Wage Adjustment in 2025, effective August 10, 2025, as well as an additional two percent General Wage Adjustment in 2026.**

While our work on the 2025-27 Compensation Plan continues, it was important to me that state workers received this wage adjustment as soon as possible. I'm pleased to share that all eligible workers in pay status as of June 29, 2025, will receive a three percent base pay adjustment to their current pay rate. Pay adjustments will be reflected on employee paychecks on September 4, 2025, including lump sum back pay from June 29, 2025.

The work that we do together every day on behalf of the people of Wisconsin is so important—perhaps never more so than it is today. With Washington creating continued uncertainty through devastating cuts to investments and programs that so many across our state rely on, Wisconsinites will continue looking to us to lead, support them, and build upon the work we've done together over the last six years.

There is, as always, much hard work ahead of us. Having committed and exceptional partners like you in this good work will make all the difference. I will continue to be right there alongside you to do the right thing for our kids, our families, our communities, and for Wisconsin.

So, on behalf of a grateful governor, administration, and state, *thank you and keep up the great work, folks!*

Forward, and for Wisconsin, always.

Sincerely yours in service,

Tony Evers
Governor