

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# *Proclamation*

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's 5.7 million acres of public lands provide a wealth of opportunities to engage in all forms of outdoor recreation that brings in roughly \$14 million annually from tourism; and

WHEREAS, National Public Lands Day recognizes the economic, social, recreational, and environmental benefits that public lands provide to society, and encourages citizens to take part in the stewardship of public lands, and by supporting public lands, citizens can contribute to a healthy environment that sustains Wisconsin's natural resources and associated recreation; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin offers many opportunities for citizens to get involved in managing public lands, including public lands adoption programs, river cleanups, species monitoring projects, volunteering, and many more; and

WHEREAS, National Public Lands Day is the largest nationwide volunteer day for public lands and draws attention to volunteer opportunities and fosters citizen appreciation of public lands that allows current and future generations to enjoy Wisconsin's great outdoors for years to come;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the state of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 24, 2016 as

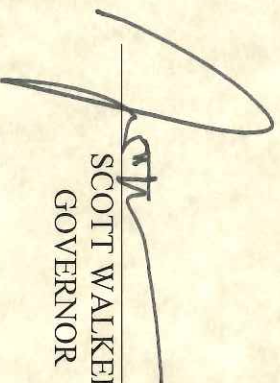
## PUBLIC LANDS DAY

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

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have  
herunto 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 2016.

By the Governor:



  
SCOTT WALKER  
GOVERNOR

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State