

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

### CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION

#### HONORING

# Wisconsin Center for Technology Commercialization Small Business Innovation Research Advance Program

#### **10TH ANNIVERSARY**

WHEREAS; founded in 2005, the Center for Technology Commercialization (CTC) provides funding assistance to technology businesses throughout Wisconsin, and over the past two decades, has assisted in the acquisition of over \$195 million in federal and additional funding for Wisconsin businesses; and

WHEREAS; experts and advocates at the CTC work to improve federal funding Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Technical Transfer Research (SBIR/STTR) success rates, develop and enhance competitive advantages, and access resources from ideas to market and beyond; and

WHEREAS; in 2014, the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) created the SBIR Advance program to provide state match funding, training, and other resources to uplift Wisconsin businesses, advance the commercialization of SBIR/STTR-funded technology, and expedite economic and job creation impact in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; over the last decade, the SBIR Advance program has administered nearly 200 awards totaling over \$16 million, helping companies gain the economic momentum needed to attract potential investors and strategic partners and bolster Wisconsin's economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby congratulate the CTC, WEDC, business leaders, and corporate partners upon the 10th anniversary of the SBIR Advance program, and thank everyone involved for their dedicated service to the state.

DONE ON THIS 3RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2025.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

