



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #199

Relating to a Proclamation that the Flag of the United States and the Flag of the State of Wisconsin Be Flown at Half-Staff on Memorial Day

WHEREAS, the long tradition of honoring our veterans on Memorial Day has been observed ever since the Civil War; and

WHEREAS, one of the earliest of these commemorations to decorate the graves of fallen soldiers occurred on May 30, 1868, at Arlington National Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, in the words of Congressman and future President James A. Garfield's address at that ceremony, those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country have "summed up and perfected, by one supreme act, the highest virtues of men and citizens"; and

WHEREAS, it is right and proper that Wisconsin remembers and honors all of our service members throughout our long history, who gave up so much in service to their neighbors and fellow citizens and for the cause of freedom; and

WHEREAS, this Memorial Day, families and friends throughout Wisconsin will unite in honoring the courageous men and women who valiantly defended our Nation; and

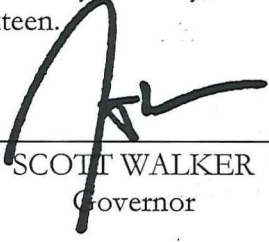
WHEREAS, federal law provides that the flag of the United States should be flown at half-staff from sunrise until noon on Memorial Day; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Day will be observed on Monday, May 30, 2016;

NOW THEREFORE, I, SCOTT WALKER, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the constitution and laws of this state, do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of the State of Wisconsin shall be flown at half-staff at all buildings, grounds, and military installations of the State of Wisconsin beginning at sunrise on **Monday, May 30, 2016**, and ending at **12:00 PM CDT** on that date.



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 twenty-seventh day of May, in the year two thousand sixteen.


SCOTT WALKER
Governor

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State