EXECUTIVE ORDER #316

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 National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

WHEREAS, on the morning of December 7, 1941, the United States of America suffered a horrific and unprovoked attack at Pearl Harbor, prompting our Nation’s entry into World War II; and

WHEREAS, the surprise attack on the U.S. Navy’s Pacific Fleet that fateful day sought to destroy American military strength and break the spirit of the American people; and

WHEREAS, the attack galvanized our Nation, and the American people valiantly responded on the battlefield and on the home front to secure the blessings of liberty for their fellow Americans and for all those threatened by tyranny and oppression; and

WHEREAS, though seventy-seven years have passed since this “date which will live in infamy,” our State and Nation recall anew the sacrifice of the brave men and women at Pearl Harbor, and strive to emulate their courage and selflessness in our own daily lives; and

WHEREAS, Congress, by U.S. Code Title 36, Chapter 1, Section 129, has designated December 7 of each year as “National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day” and called for its observance by flying flags at half-staff and by other ceremonies and activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SCOTT WALKER, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by federal and State law, 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 equipped with such flags beginning at sunrise on December 7, 2018, and ending at sunset 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 sixth day of December in the year two thousand eighteen.

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State