



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER #210**

**Relating to a Proclamation that the Flag of the United States and the Flag of the State of Wisconsin Be Flown at Half-Staff as a Mark of Respect for Staff Sergeant Matthew V. Thompson, Who Lost His Life While Serving His Country**

**WHEREAS**, on August 23, 2016, Staff Sergeant Matthew V. Thompson, a member of Company A, 3rd Battalion, 1st Special Forces Group (Airborne), died from wounds received from an improvised explosive device that detonated near his patrol in Helmand Province, Afghanistan; and

**WHEREAS**, Staff Sergeant Matthew V. Thompson was a native of Brookfield, Wisconsin, and a 2006 graduate of Brookfield Central High School in Brookfield, Wisconsin; and

**WHEREAS**, for his faithful service to the people of the State of Wisconsin and the people of the United States, Staff Sergeant Matthew V. Thompson earned numerous awards and decorations, including the Bronze Star Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Medal, the Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (numeral 2), the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the Basic Parachutist Badge, and the Special Forces Tab; and

**WHEREAS**, Staff Sergeant Matthew V. Thompson has been posthumously awarded the Combat Infantry Badge, a Bronze Star Medal with V device, and a Purple Heart Medal; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of Wisconsin mourn the death of Staff Sergeant Matthew V. Thompson; and

**WHEREAS**, a memorial service will be held for Staff Sergeant Matthew V. Thompson in Brookfield on Saturday, September 3, 2016;

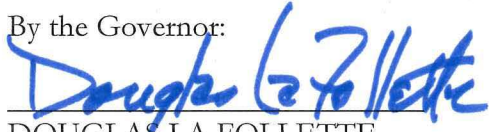
**NOW THEREFORE, I, SCOTT WALKER**, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State and by federal law, do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of the State of Wisconsin shall be flown at half-staff at all buildings, grounds, and military installations of the State of Wisconsin equipped with such flags, beginning at sunrise **Saturday, September 3, 2016**, 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 twenty-ninth day of August in the year two thousand sixteen.

  
SCOTT WALKER  
Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State