



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER # 307

**Relating to the Closure of State Government Offices due to
Extreme Winter Weather Conditions**

WHEREAS, a state of emergency having been declared for the State of Wisconsin for December 8 and 9, 2009, in anticipation of an extremely dangerous winter storm with heavy snowfall and strong winds moving into Wisconsin during the evening hours of December 8, 2009, and continuing across the state through December 9, 2009; and

WHEREAS, travel conditions are expected to worsen throughout the day on December 9, 2009 due to heavy snow, strong winds, and falling temperatures; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin State Patrol and the National Weather Service have urged citizens to avoid travel in the areas affected by the blizzard, through midnight on December 9, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the delivery of non-emergency state government functions would be limited on December 9, 2009, due to the difficulty of travel for state employees and citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Doyle, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this state, and specifically by Section 230.35(5)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

1. Direct and authorize all state agencies of the State of Wisconsin to close state government offices and University of Wisconsin campuses for public business on December 9, 2009; and
2. Direct and authorize all state agencies to direct employees not to report to work on December 9, 2009, unless their job duties include the provision or support of an emergency response, public health, or public safety function, and their absence would compromise delivery of essential public health, public safety, or emergency response functions that are required to continue despite weather conditions; and
3. Any time off or other deviation from work orders for state employees occasioned by the closure of state offices and work stations shall be handled as required by collective bargaining agreements and the non-represented employees compensation plan.



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 ninth day of December in the year two thousand nine.



JIM DOYLE
Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State