

EXECUTIVE ORDER #291

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 Cpl. Raymond A. Barker of the United States Marine Corps Reserves, Who Lost His Life While Serving His Country During World War II

WHEREAS, on November 20, 1943, Cpl. Raymond A. Barker, a member of the United States Marine Corps Reserves and Company C, 2nd Tank Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, was killed in action on Betio Island during the Battle of Tarawa; and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2017, Cpl. Raymond A. Barker's remains were accounted for; and

WHEREAS, Cpl. Raymond A. Barker will be laid to rest almost 75 years after giving his life for his fellow Marines, his country, and his countrymen; and

WHEREAS, the people of the United States and the State of Wisconsin are forever grateful for the service and sacrifice of Cpl. Raymond A. Barker; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, May 5, 2018, Cpl. Raymond A. Barker will be buried with full military honors in Delavan, Wisconsin;

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 Saturday, May 5, 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 fourth day of May, in the year two thousand eighteen.

SCOTT WALKER Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State