

**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER # 261**

**Relating to the Creation of the Position of  
Science Advisor to the Governor**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Wisconsin is recognized as a national leader in scientific research and commercialization; and

**WHEREAS**, technology-based markets are a major contributor to Wisconsin's economy and account for tens of thousands of good-paying jobs; and

**WHEREAS**, the continued growth of Wisconsin's economy will depend on the ongoing success of scientific innovation in Wisconsin; and

**WHEREAS**, Wisconsin is uniquely positioned for continued technology-based growth, given its world-class university research programs and facilities, its globally competitive technology and manufacturing firms, and its potential to be a national leader in providing resources of renewable energy; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Wisconsin has a responsibility to continue fostering an environment that encourages promising scientific inquiry, innovation and commercialization; and

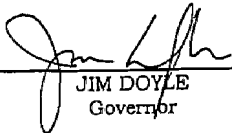
**WHEREAS**, the policy of this Administration should, as much as possible, be informed by, and engaged with, the greater scientific research community;

**NOW, I, JIM DOYLE**, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of this State, and specifically by Wis. Stat. § 14.019, do hereby:

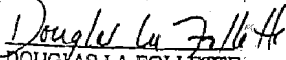
1. Establish the position of Science Advisor to the Governor, and direct that the Science Advisor shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor; and
2. Direct the Science Advisor to keep the Governor and relevant members of the Administration regularly informed of ongoing and developing scientific research that is occurring in Wisconsin or is of interest to the Administration; and
3. Direct that the Science Advisor shall, where appropriate, or when so directed, serve as a liaison between the Administration and the scientific research community.



**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 sixteenth day of July, in the year two thousand eight.

  
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JIM DOYLE  
Governor

By the Governor

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State

