



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #155

**Relating to a Proclamation that the Flag of the United States and the
Flag of the State of Wisconsin Be Flown at Half-Staff in Observance of a
Day of Remembrance for President Abraham Lincoln**

WHEREAS, today marks one hundred and fifty years since April 15, 1865, when President Abraham Lincoln died of wounds suffered at the hands of an assassin; and

WHEREAS, the death of President Abraham Lincoln was a great loss to the country, a tragic final scene in the long struggle to keep the nation together, in which his leadership and determination played a defining role; and

WHEREAS, with the death of President Abraham Lincoln, it was left to his fellow citizens to carry on the unfinished work of which he spoke in his second inaugural address just a month before, to heal the nation's wounds "with malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right," and "to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and a lasting peace, for ourselves and all nations"; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for all Wisconsinites to continue this legacy and honor the memory of President Abraham Lincoln, taking inspiration from his optimistic spirit, firm resolve, and commitment to working for the good of all; and

WHEREAS, President Barack Obama has issued a proclamation calling for the flag of the United States to be flown at half-staff today in observance of a Day of Remembrance for President Abraham Lincoln;

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 today, **April 15, 2015**, 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 fifteenth day of April, in the year two thousand fifteen.



SCOTT WALKER
Governor

By the Governor:

Douglas La Follette

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State