

EXECUTIVE ORDER #307

Relating to a Proclamation that the Flag of the United States and the Flag of the State of Wisconsin Be Flown at Half-Staff to Honor the Victims of the Terrorist Attacks on September 11, 2001, and the Members of the United States Armed Forces Who Answered the Subsequent Call to Defend Our Freedoms at Home and Abroad

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, terrorists hijacked four commercial airliners and launched a coordinated attack on symbols of American strength and prosperity, destroying the World Trade Center's Twin Towers, damaging the Pentagon, and killing nearly 3,000 people, including the passengers and crew of the four hijacked airliners; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement, first responders, and ordinary citizens rushed to the scenes of the attack and risked their lives without hesitation to aid those in need, displaying true heroism and embodying the strength and resilience of the United States; and

WHEREAS, in the 17 years since that fateful day, the brave men and women of the United States Armed Forces have served overseas to prevent the spread of terrorism, dismantle terrorist organizations, and protect the United States, with thousands making the ultimate sacrifice for their country; and

WHEREAS, under 36 U.S.C. § 144, September 11 of each year is designated as Patriot Day, a day where all Americans stand united in remembrance and observe a moment of silence to honor those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsinites are encouraged on Patriot Day to perform acts of service for others and their community;

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 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 **Tuesday, September 11, 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 tenth day of September, in the year two thousand eighteen.

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