

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER #174**

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 Honor of State Day of Service and Remembrance

**WHEREAS,** on September 11, 2001, nearly 3,000 innocent lives were lost and thousands more were injured in terrorist attacks occurring at the World Trade Center in New York City, outside of Washington, D.C. at the Pentagon, and a crash site near Shanksville, Pennsylvania;

**WHEREAS,** in addition to the families, friends, and loved ones of those who were killed, the September 11, 2001, attacks affected people in every corner of our nation and the world, including in Wisconsin, transcending faith, race, ethnicity, identity, and background;

**WHEREAS**, each year on this day, we remember those who lost their lives and their loved ones who mourn their loss still today, we honor the survivors and all those still enduring the trauma and long-term effects of their injuries and trauma of the attacks on September 11, 2001, and pay tribute to the first responders, volunteers, and countless others that day who responded to the devastating, horrific attacks with bravery, compassion, and at great personal sacrifice;

**WHEREAS,** on this occasion, we also honor the brave sacrifices of servicemembers in the United States and across the world who gave their lives in the years since the attacks, as well as those who have served and continue to serve our state and our nation both at home and abroad; and

**WHEREAS,** the anniversary of the September 11, 2001 attacks on the United States has come to be recognized as a day of service, an opportunity to reflect on the grit, resilience, and determination of the people of the United States, and to reaffirm our shared values of kindness, respect, empathy, and compassion in the spirit of service to each other, our neighbors, and our communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, TONY EVERS,** Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State, hereby:

- 1. 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 **Friday, September 9, 2022,** and ending at sunset on **Sunday, September 11, 2022**.
- 2. Declare Sunday, September 11, 2022, a day of service across the State of Wisconsin and encourage all my fellow Wisconsinites to commit a day of service to cooperatively serve our communities in commemoration of the lives lost and sacrifices made.



**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 eighth day of September in the year of two thousand twenty-two.

TONY EVERS
Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State