

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 24

WHEREAS, equal protection of the laws for all citizens is guaranteed by Article I, s. 1 of the Wisconsin Constitution and the 14th Amendment to the Federal Constitution; and

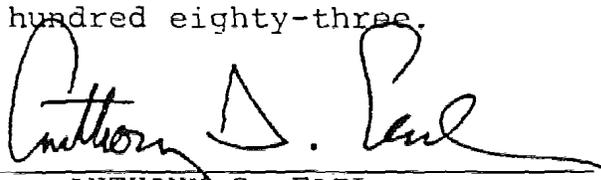
WHEREAS, s. 766.15, Wisconsin Statutes, specifically provides that women shall have the same rights and privileges under the laws as men; and

WHEREAS, s. 19.85(3) of the Wisconsin Statutes requires that all meetings of governmental bodies be conducted in facilities that are accessible to individuals with functional disabilities; and

WHEREAS, it is the expressed policy of this administration that all business engaged in by employees of the executive branch should be conducted in facilities that do not discriminate against any class of citizens because of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin or handicapping condition;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANTHONY S. EARL, Governor of Wisconsin by the authority vested in me by Article V, s. 4 of the Constitution to faithfully execute the laws of this state do hereby order that every board, commission, department, agency, committee, subcommittee, task force and other units of state government shall refrain from meeting in private facilities with an expressed policy for use and membership which discriminates against any class of citizens based upon race, gender, sexual orientation, national origin or handicapped condition while conducting state business.

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 26th day of August in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred eighty-three.


ANTHONY S. EARL

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

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