



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**Executive Order #275**

**Relating to the Temporary Evacuation of Residents of Long Term Care Facilities as a Consequence of the State of Emergency in Waupaca County**

**WHEREAS**, a train derailed near Weyauwega, Wisconsin in the early morning hours of March 4, 1996; and

**WHEREAS**, this incident created a significant threat to life and property rising to the level of an emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, a State of Emergency was declared on March 4, 1996 pursuant to Section 166.03(1)(b)1 of the Wisconsin Statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, residents of three long term care facilities, Lakeview Manor, Lakeview Manor/Gateway FDD, and Weyauwega Health Care Center, have been temporarily evacuated for the duration of the emergency to other nursing homes, community based residential facilities and unlicensed facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the relocation was done to protect the lives of these residents; and

**WHEREAS**, this temporary emergency relocation may cause potential conflicts with state licensure laws for long term care facilities and Medicaid and Medicare reimbursement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOMMY G. THOMPSON**, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, and specifically by Section 166.03(1)(b)5 of the Wisconsin Statutes, **DO HEREBY ORDER** that, during the State of Emergency in Waupaca County, the evacuated residents of Lakeview Manor, Lakeview Manor/Gateway FDD and Weyauwega Health Care Center be deemed to be residing at those facilities and under the licenses and certifications of those facilities for the entire time that said residents are evacuated.

**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 nineteenth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.



*Tommy G. Thompson*  
**TOMMY G. THOMPSON**  
Governor

By the Governor:

*Douglas La Follette*  
**DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE**  
Secretary of State