

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #125

Relating to a Proclamation that the Flag of the United States and the Flag of the State of Wisconsin be Flown at Half-Staff on National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

WHEREAS, on the morning of December 7, 1941, the enemies of the United States launched a vicious and unprovoked assault upon the U.S. naval base at Pearl Harbor, Hawai'i. The attack came as a profound shock to the American people and led directly to the nation's entry into World War II; and

WHEREAS, the surprise attack sought to cripple the U.S. Navy's Pacific Fleet and to destroy American resolve and break our spirit in the face of the enemy's advance. Over 3,600 Americans were killed or wounded in the attack; and

WHEREAS, this Nation rose up to "Remember Pearl Harbor" and stood united on the battlefield, on the high seas, and at home to defeat those who threatened our liberties and way of life; and

WHEREAS, though seventy-two years have passed since this "date which will live in infamy," our state and nation recall anew the sacrifice of the men and women at Pearl Harbor, and we strive to emulate their heroism and courage in our own lives; and

WHEREAS, Congress, by U.S. Code Title 36, Chapter 1, Section 129, has designated December 7 of each year as "National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day."

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 shall 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 **December 7**, 2013, and ending at sunset on that date.

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE Secretary of State 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 fifth day of December, in the year two thousand thirteen

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