The State of Wisconsin

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #160

Relating to a Proclamation that the Flag of the United States and the Flag of the State of Wisconsin Be Flown at Half-Staff as a Mark of Respect for Peace Officers Who Have Given Their Lives in the Line of Duty

WHEREAS, many men and women across the State of Wisconsin faithfully serve as peace officers, working in many capacities to protect and serve their communities; and

WHEREAS, these, our fellow neighbors and citizens, daily put their own lives and safety at risk in the line of duty; and

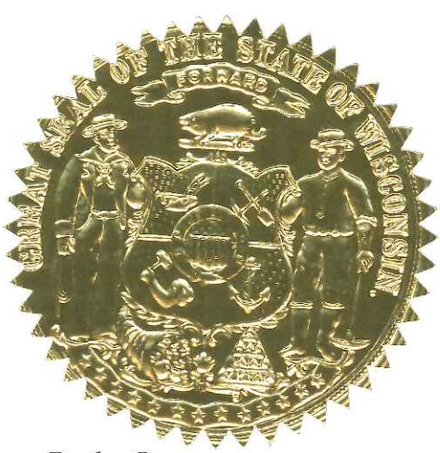
WHEREAS, it is appropriate for all of us to remember and honor those brave officers who, like Trooper Trevor Casper who died earlier this year, have made the ultimate sacrifice for the sake of those they stand watch to protect; and

WHEREAS, in 1962, President John F. Kennedy designated May 15 of each year as Peace Officers' Memorial Day and designated the week in which it occurs as Police Week, requiring the flag of the United States to be flown at half-staff on May 15 in recognition of peace officers who have given their lives in the line of duty;

NOW THEREFORE, I, SCOTT WALKER, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by state and federal law, do hereby:

1. 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 located in the State beginning at sunrise on **Friday, May 15, 2015**, and ending at sunset on that date; and

2. Authorize any jurisdiction of this State to fly the flag of the United States and the flag of the State of Wisconsin at half-staff on any day during Police Week (May 10, 2015 through May 16, 2015) for the purpose of honoring, in a public ceremony, peace officers who have given their lives in the line of duty.



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 May in the year two thousand fifteen.

SCOTT WALKER
Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State