

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER #182**

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 December 7, 1941, without provocation, the Imperial Japanese Navy conducted a surprise attack on American armed forces stationed at Pearl Harbor; and

WHEREAS, in less than two hours, the U.S. Pacific Fleet was dealt a severe blow and more than 3,500 Americans were injured or killed, including 58 service members from the Badger State; and

WHEREAS, instead of crippling the American spirit as intended, this act of war united the nation and led to our direct participation in World War II; and

WHEREAS, during World War II, more than 330,000 Wisconsinites served in the Armed Forces, another 250,000 civilians were enrolled in Civil Defense programs here at home, and many more worked in the factories, shipyards, farms, and other industries that supported the war effort from the home front; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that we remember these sacrifices made by the Greatest Generation for their country 74 years ago; 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 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 Monday, December 7, 2015, 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 fourth day of December, in the year two thousand fifteen.

SCOTT WALKER Governor