

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER #191**

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 Colonel Donald L. Heiliger of the United States Air Force

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2016, Colonel Donald L. Heiliger of the United States Air Force passed away at the age of 79; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Donald L. Heiliger devoted thirty years of his life to military service as a member of the Wisconsin National Guard and the United States Air Force, including distinguished service in the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 1967, Colonel Donald L. Heiliger was shot down and subsequently captured by North Vietnamese forces, spending nearly six years as a prisoner of war, showing outstanding fortitude and loyalty under extremely harsh conditions; and

WHEREAS, after his return home, Colonel Donald L. Heiliger continued to serve in the United States Air Force until his retirement in 1985, and he was awarded numerous decorations, including the Silver Star, the Legion of Merit, and the Defense Superior Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, as a native of Madison and a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, Colonel Donald L. Heiliger leaves a legacy of courage and public service that stands as an inspiration to all Wisconsinites, and the people of Wisconsin mourn his death; and

**WHEREAS,** on Monday, March 28, 2016, a funeral service will be held for Colonel Donald L. Heiliger with full honors and a flyover by the Wisconsin Air National Guard;

NOW THEREFORE, I, SCOTT WALKER, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, 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, beginning at sunrise on Monday, March 28, 2016, and ending at sunset on that date.

By the Governor.

OUGLAS 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 twenty-fifth day of March, in the year two

thousand sixteen.

SCOTT WALKER