



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER # 291**

**Relating to a Proclamation that the Flag of the United States and the Flag of the State of Wisconsin be Flown at Half-Staff to Commemorate the Eight Year Anniversary of the Terrorist Attacks on the United States**

**WHEREAS**, on September 11, 2001, our nation suffered terrorist attacks that claimed the lives of thousands of innocent and unsuspecting United States citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of the State of Wisconsin, with heavy hearts, mourn the loss of all of the men, women and children who died as a result of these cowardly acts; and

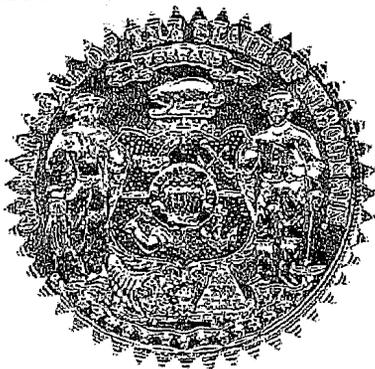
**WHEREAS**, the people of the State of Wisconsin are forever indebted to the National Guard for its pivotal role in national and international operations instituted for the safety and protection of our great nation and all that it stands for; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of the State of Wisconsin wish to commend and honor the bravery exhibited by all emergency and volunteer personnel who assisted in rescue, evacuation and medical assistance efforts immediately following the attacks and in the many months that followed; and

**WHEREAS**, September 11<sup>th</sup> should be thought of as a day of remembrance for the victims and of hope for the enduring spirit of America; and

**WHEREAS**, federal law states that the flag of the United States should be flown at half-staff on September 11<sup>th</sup>, Patriot Day;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIM DOYLE**, 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 and ending at sundown on Friday, **September 11, 2009**.



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 ninth day of September in the year two thousand nine.

  
JIM DOYLE  
Governor