



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #126

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2013, former South African president and global leader Nelson Mandela passed away; and

WHEREAS, in the course of protesting the discriminatory apartheid regime in South Africa, Mandela was arrested and sentenced to life imprisonment. Amid an international campaign and escalating civil strife, Mandela was released from prison in 1990 after twenty-seven years buried in a dungeon; and

WHEREAS, Mandela opened negotiations with the apartheid regime leading to multiracial elections in 1994. Mandela was subsequently elected the first black President of South Africa, and was the first President elected in a fully representative election. In recognition of his dedication to equality and the peaceful resolution of volatile social issues, Mandela received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1993; and

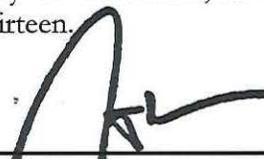
WHEREAS, Mandela continued his activism for democracy and his philanthropic work into his retirement; and

WHEREAS, people of good will throughout the world and Wisconsin mourn the passing of this human rights hero and beloved advocate for peace and justice;

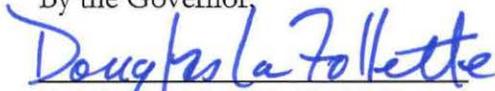
NOW THEREFORE, I, SCOTT WALKER, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by federal and state law, do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of the State of Wisconsin shall be flown at half-staff at all buildings, grounds, and military installations of the State of Wisconsin equipped with such flags beginning immediately, and ending at sunset on December 9, 2013.



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 sixth day of December, in the year two thousand thirteen.


SCOTT WALKER
Governor

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State