

EXECUTIVE ORDER #140

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 Honor the Victims of the Terrorist Attacks on September 11, 2001 and the Men and Women in Uniform Who Have Served to Defend Our Freedoms at Home and Abroad

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, terrorists hijacked four commercial airliners and launched deadly attacks on America, killing nearly 3,000 people; and

WHEREAS, though more than a decade has gone by since these attacks, we do not forget the men, women, and children who lost their lives that day, and we remember with pride the heroism and American spirit of the many police officers, firefighters, emergency responders, and ordinary citizens who risked their lives responding to the attacks; and

WHEREAS, we owe a great debt to our many fellow citizens in uniform, who have since then volunteered their service to resist the spread of terrorism and to labor in defense of our country and the freedoms we cherish; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we recognize the approximately 34,500 Wisconsin members of the United States Armed Forces who have served in support of this mission, and, in particular, that we never forget the 166 Wisconsin service members who have made the ultimate sacrifice since September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Congress has designated September 11th of each year as Patriot Day and as a National Day of Service and Remembrance, encouraging all people of the United States to commemorate the day by observing a moment of silence, displaying flags at halfstaff, and participating in appropriate ceremonies and acts of community service;

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 Thursday, September 11, 2014, and ending at sunset on that date.



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 tenth day of September, in the year two thousand fourteen.

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