



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER #235**

**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 Major General (Ret.) Jerald David "Jerry" Slack**

**WHEREAS**, on May 18, 2024, Major General (Ret.) Jerald David "Jerry" Slack passed away in his home at the age of 78 following a brief but courageous battle with cancer;

**WHEREAS**, General Slack proudly served in the National Guard for 37 years, first with the Illinois Air National Guard in 1959 before transferring to the Wisconsin Air National Guard in 1961;

**WHEREAS**, General Slack worked for many years as a state employee, starting as a civil engineer with the State Highway Commission, working with the Bureau of Engineering, serving as chief engineer at the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and finishing his civilian career as administrator of the State of Wisconsin Division of Facilities Management;

**WHEREAS**, General Slack was named Adjutant General of Wisconsin by Governor Tommy Thompson in 1989 and served in that position until 1996, during which time he oversaw 12,300 Wisconsin Guardsmen;

**WHEREAS**, as adjutant general, General Slack successfully oversaw deployments in Desert Storm, Southern and Northern Watch, and Operation Deny Flight, and he was inducted into the Wisconsin Air National Guard Hall of Fame in 2019;

**WHEREAS**, General Slack was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend, and the people of Wisconsin join his surviving family and friends in honoring his memory and service to his country and mourning his passing;

**WHEREAS**, the impact of General Slack's life and service will not be forgotten; and

**WHEREAS**, services for General Slack will take place on Sunday, July 21, 2024, in Madison.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, TONY EVERS**, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State, 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 Sunday, July 21, 2024, 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 eighteenth day of July in the year of two thousand twenty-four.

Handwritten signature of Tony Evers in blue ink.

TONY EVERS  
Governor

By the Governor:

Handwritten signature of Sarah Godlewski in blue ink.  
SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State