

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 55

Relating to a Proclamation that the Flag of the United States and the Flag of the State of Wisconsin be Flown at Half-Staff and a moment of silence due to the one year anniversary of the Terrorist Attacks on the United States

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, a series of vicious and cowardly terrorist attacks claimed the lives of numerous 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 remember especially those victims of September 11th with ties to our great State, including Jason Oswald, 28, Andrea Haberman, 25, Scott Johnson, 26, Patty Statz, 41, Michelle Robotham, 32, Army Lieutenant Colonel Dennis Johnson, 41, John Hart, 28, Army Lieutenant Colonel Dan Mattson, 57, and Barbara Olson, 41; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Wisconsin remember the personal impact of having an attack occur on our nation's soil and pray for the families and friends who lost a loved one on September 11th; 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

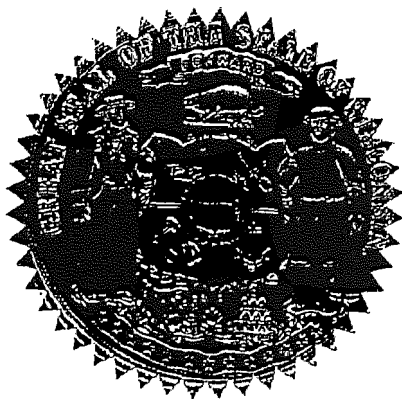
WHEREAS, the people of our nation, with their unending courage, compassion and conviction, have triumphed over the evils it confronted one year ago; and

WHEREAS, we realize and reaffirm that the strength and spirit of our great nation is rooted deep within our souls, not within the foundations of our buildings; and

WHEREAS, we look forward with hope and confidence to the future knowing the strength of this nation's spirit to overcome any evil force; and

WHEREAS, September 11 should be thought of as a day of remembrance for the victims and of hope for the enduring spirit of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SCOTT McCALLUM, 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 Wednesday, September 11, 2002.



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 September in the year two thousand two.

Scott McCallum

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Governor

By the Governor:

Douglas La Follette

Douglas La Follette
Secretary of State

and