

EXECUTIVE ORDER # 109

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WHEREAS, Gaylord Nelson served with distinction in the Wisconsin State Senate from 1949-1959; as Governor of the State of Wisconsin from 1959-1963; and in the United States Senate from 1963-1981; and

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WHEREAS, a memorial service for Gaylord Nelson will be held at the State Capitol on Wednesday, July 13, 2005;

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 shall be flown at half-staff at all buildings, grounds and military installations of the State of Wisconsin beginning forthwith and ending at sunset on Wednesday, July 13, 2005.

By the Governor:

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 fifth day of July, in the year two thousand and five.

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