

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER # 255**

Relating to a Proclamation that the Flag of the United States and the Flag of the State of Wisconsin be Flown at Half-Staff on Memorial Day

WHEREAS, Memorial Day was created by General Order No. 11 issued by General John A. Logan, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, on May 5, 1868; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the people of the State of Wisconsin remember and honor the brave men and women of the Armed Forces who, throughout our Nation's history, have laid down their lives in defense of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, Federal law requires the flag of the United States to be flown at half-staff from sunrise until noon on Memorial Day; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Day will be observed on May 26, 2008;

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 at sunrise on May 26, 2008 and ending at 12:00 PM CDT on that date.

By the Governor:

Douglas La Tollette

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 twenty-first day of May, in the year two thousand eight.

JIM DOYLE Governor