

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 24

WHEREAS, the Labor Day holiday period marks the last big weekend of the summer vacation season; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated there will be considerable traffic movement on Wisconsin roads as families from within our own state and from neighboring states take advantage of holiday opportunities to enjoy our state's many recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, last year on Labor Day weekend Wisconsin recorded 26 traffic deaths, and the year before the toll was 29;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LEE SHERMAN DREYFUS, Governor of Wisconsin, do hereby declare a

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to exist on Wisconsin roads starting at 12:00 noon, Friday, August 31, 1979, and continuing to 12:00 midnight, September 3, 1979, and I urge all motorists to exercise extreme caution and to respect the 55 MPH speed limit; and

FURTHER, under the authority contained in Section 21.11 of the Wisconsin Statutes, I hereby order into service sufficient personnel and equipment of the Wisconsin National Guard as necessary to conduct the "Friend in the Sky" helicopter medical evacuation program and the "Governor's Highway Safety Patrol" involving ground vehicles to be on duty on major travel routes, and to assist the Wisconsin State Patrol and other traffic law enforcement officers by helping motorists whose vehicles are disabled during the Labor Day holiday period.



By the Governor:

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 17th day of August in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred seventy-nine.

LEE SHERMAN DREYFUS

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