

EXECUTIVE ORDER #119

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, once known as Decoration Day, Memorial Day began with the somber act of remembrance laying flowers to decorate the graves of those who lost their lives in the Civil War;

WHEREAS, embraced by annual observance and preserved in federal law, the day now commemorates all those who died in the military service;

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Wisconsin keep alive in memory and honor the United States Armed Forces servicemembers who have, throughout history, made the ultimate sacrifice in service of the United States of America;

WHEREAS, federal law provides that the flag of the United States shall be displayed at half-staff from sunrise until noon on Memorial Day; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Day will be observed on Monday, May 31, 2021.

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 May 31, 2021 and ending at 12:00 p.m. CDT on that date.



By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE 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 Executive Residence in the Village of Maple Bluff this twentyseventh day of May in the year of two thousand twenty-one.

ONY EVERS Governor