



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER #166**

**Relating to a Proclamation that the Progress Pride Flag Be Flown over the East Wing of the Wisconsin State Capitol Building in Recognition of Pride Month**

**WHEREAS**, June is recognized as Pride Month in Wisconsin and throughout the United States to celebrate the strength, diversity, resilience, and history of the LGBTQ community;

**WHEREAS**, generations of LGBTQ leaders and their allies have fought and continue to fight arduous battles against discrimination and social stigma, advancing intersectional goals of equity across gender, identity, race, sexuality, and economic status;

**WHEREAS**, the Progress Pride Flag was designed in recent years to increase visibility and advocacy for marginalized communities within the LGBTQ community and includes additional stripes forming a chevron pattern that represent LGBTQ communities of color and the transgender community, as well as those who are living with and who have been lost to HIV/AIDS;

**WHEREAS**, we recognize the achievements of the LGBTQ community and reaffirm our commitment to protecting hard-won liberties, combatting hateful, anti-LGBTQ rhetoric and policies, and continuing our work to address the health and economic inequities faced by LGBTQ individuals, including those faced by transgender individuals and LGBTQ people of color in our state and country; and

**WHEREAS**, the display of the Progress Pride Flag over the Wisconsin State Capitol building acknowledges Wisconsin's proud tradition of leading on issues of LGBTQ equity and demonstrates the state of Wisconsin's continued commitment to being a safe, welcoming, and just state for every member of the LGBTQ community, while recognizing the continued work we must do to build a more equitable and inclusive state.

**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 the following:

1. Order that the Progress Pride Flag shall be flown over the East Wing of the State Capitol Building, beginning on **Wednesday, June 1, 2022**, and ending at sunset on **Thursday, June 30, 2022**.
2. Authorize state buildings and any jurisdiction of the State of Wisconsin to fly the Progress Pride Flag during the month of June 2022 for the purposes of recognizing Pride Month.



**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 first day of June in the year of two thousand twenty-two.

*Tony Evers*

TONY EVERS  
Governor

By the Governor:

*Douglas La Follette*  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State