



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER #317**

**Relating to a Proclamation that the Flag of the United States and the Flag of the State of Wisconsin Be Flown at Half-Staff as a Mark of Respect for Seaman 1st Class William Bruesewitz of the United States Navy, Who Lost His Life While Serving His Country at Pearl Harbor**

**WHEREAS**, Seaman 1st Class William Bruesewitz, a member of the United States Navy and a native of Appleton, Wisconsin, was killed in action during the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor by Japanese forces on December 7, 1941; and

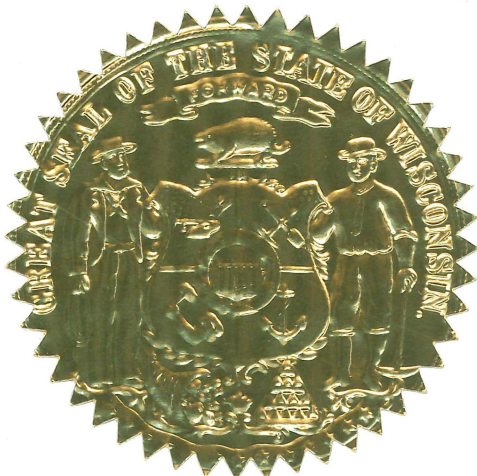
**WHEREAS**, on the date of the attack, Seaman 1st Class William Bruesewitz was assigned to the USS Oklahoma, which capsized after sustaining multiple torpedo hits from Japanese aircraft of the Imperial Japanese Navy, resulting in the deaths of 429 crewmen on the ship; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 2, 2018, Seaman 1st Class William Bruesewitz's remains were accounted for; and

**WHEREAS**, on Friday, December 7, 2018, Seaman 1st Class William Bruesewitz will be buried with full military honors in Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of the United States and the State of Wisconsin are forever grateful for the service and sacrifice of Seaman 1st Class William Bruesewitz;

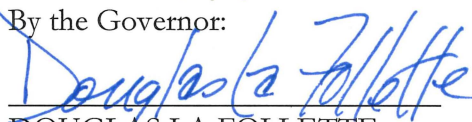
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, SCOTT WALKER**, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by federal and State law, do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of the State of Wisconsin shall be flown at half-staff at all buildings, grounds, and military installations of the State of Wisconsin equipped with such flags beginning at sunrise on **Friday, December 7, 2018**, and ending at sunset on that date.



**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 sixth day of December, in the year two thousand eighteen.

  
SCOTT WALKER  
Governor

By the Governor:

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State