



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #290

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 the Firefighters of Wisconsin Who Have Given Their Lives in the Line of Duty

WHEREAS, the people of Wisconsin are grateful for the public service of the firefighters who bravely serve and protect our communities, courageously answering the call to serve and often meeting people in some of their darkest moments and times of need;

WHEREAS, the 45th National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, May 3, 2026, in Emmitsburg, Maryland, to commemorate the firefighters who lost their lives while on duty in 2025, along with those who passed away in prior years;

WHEREAS, on Saturday, September 26, 2026, the Wisconsin Fire & EMS Memorial in Wisconsin Rapids will hold the Final Alarm Ceremony honoring the memory of members of Wisconsin's fire services who have given their lives in the line of duty;

WHEREAS, Fire Prevention Week is observed annually to recognize firefighters' putting their health, lives, and safety on the line to care for and serve their communities, featuring observances, ceremonies, exercises, and activities related to fire safety education and home fire prevention; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 995.225(1), Fire Prevention Week begins on Sunday, October 4, 2026, and ends on Wisconsin Firefighters Memorial Day, Saturday, October 10, 2026, where we honor the memory and families of those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

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:

1. 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 **Sunday, May 3, 2026**, and ending at sunset on that date.
2. 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 **Saturday, September 26, 2026**, and ending at sunset on that date.
3. 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 **Saturday, October 10, 2026**, 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 thirtieth day of April in the year of two thousand twenty-six.

TONY EVERS
Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State