



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #296

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, Memorial Day was first observed in 1868 as a day of remembrance for those who lost their lives during the Civil War;

WHEREAS, embraced as an annual observance and preserved as such in federal law, Memorial Day now commemorates all service members who, throughout the nation's history, have laid down their lives in service of the United States of America and its freedoms, principles, and values;

WHEREAS, it is altogether fitting and proper that the people of the state of Wisconsin solemnly remember, respect, and honor all those who have sacrificed their lives in the course of their military service;

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, the people of Wisconsin join Americans across the United States of America in paying tribute to the nation's fallen heroes on Memorial Day, which will be observed on Monday, May 25, 2026.

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 25, 2026, and ending at 12 p.m. CDT 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 twenty-first day of May in the year of two thousand twenty-six.

Tony Evers

TONY EVERS
Governor

By the Governor:

Sarah Godlewski
SARAH GODLEWSKI
Secretary of State