



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #304

Relating to a Proclamation that the Flag of the United States and the Flag of the State of Wisconsin Be Flown at Half-Staff in Honor of State Day of Service and Remembrance

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, nearly 3,000 innocent lives were lost, and thousands more were injured in terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center in New York City, the Pentagon in Arlington, Virginia, and a crash site near Shanksville, Pennsylvania;

WHEREAS, in addition to the families, friends, and loved ones of those who were killed, the September 11, 2001, attacks affected people in every corner of the nation and world, transcending faith, race, ethnicity, identity, and background;

WHEREAS, each year on this solemn day, we remember those who lost their lives, honor the survivors and families forever changed by the attacks, and pay tribute to the first responders, volunteers, and countless others who responded with bravery and compassion at great personal sacrifice;

WHEREAS, on this occasion, we also honor the brave sacrifices of service members in the U.S. Armed Forces who gave their lives in the years since the attacks, as well as those who have served and continue to serve the state and nation both at home and abroad; and

WHEREAS, as the nation marks the 25th anniversary of September 11, 2001, we reflect on this tragic day in our history and the grit, resilience, and determination of the people of the United States, while recognizing this day as a day of unity and service to reaffirm our shared values of kindness, respect, empathy, and compassion in the spirit of service to each other, our neighbors, and our communities.

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 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, September 11, 2026**, and ending at sunset on that date.
2. Declare Friday, September 11, 2026, a day of service across the State of Wisconsin and encourage all my fellow Wisconsinites to commit a day of service to cooperatively serve our communities in commemoration of the lives lost and sacrifices made.



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 tenth day of September in the year of two thousand twenty-six.

Tony Evers

TONY EVERS
Governor

By the Governor:

Sarah Godlewski
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Secretary of State