

## EXECUTIVE ORDER #293

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 traces its roots back to May 30, 1868, where 5,000 people decorated the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers buried at Arlington National Cemetery after a call by General John Logan for an annual observance to ensure remembrance of "the cost of a free and undivided republic"; and

WHEREAS, as our nation did 150 years ago, the State of Wisconsin remembers on Memorial Day the steep cost to preserve our free and undivided republic, and the heroism, commitment, and valor of the patriots who have given their lives to protect and defend it; and

WHEREAS, federal law provides that the flag of the United States should be displayed at half-staff from sunrise until noon on Memorial Day; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Day will be observed on Monday, May 28, 2018;

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 beginning at sunrise on Monday, May 28, 2018, and ending at 12:00 PM CDT on that date.

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-fifth day of May, in the year two thousand eighteen.

WALKER

overnor

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State