



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER #159**

**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 former Lieutenant Governor Margaret Farrow**

**WHEREAS**, on March 8, 2022, former Lieutenant Governor Margaret Farrow, who had a long and distinguished career serving the people of Wisconsin, passed away at the age of 87;

**WHEREAS**, her nearly three-decade career in public service began in 1976 when former Lieutenant Governor Farrow was first elected to the Elm Grove Village Board before later becoming Village President in 1981 – the first woman to do so;

**WHEREAS**, former Lieutenant Governor Farrow's service continued in the Wisconsin State Legislature for more than a decade when she was elected to the State Assembly in 1986, where she represented the 99<sup>th</sup> Assembly District for two terms, and then went on to serve in the State Senate in 1989, where she represented the 33<sup>rd</sup> Senate District until 2001;

**WHEREAS**, in 2001, former Lieutenant Governor Farrow made state history when she was sworn in as the 42<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Governor of Wisconsin, making her the first woman to hold the position;

**WHEREAS**, even beyond her time in office, former Lieutenant Governor Farrow continued her devoted service to Wisconsin as a member of the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents from 2013 to 2017, serving on the WisconsinEye Board of Directors starting in 2001, and supporting several other community organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, former Lieutenant Governor Farrow is survived by her husband, John, their sons, Paul, John, Bill, Peter, and Mark, and their many grandchildren, as well as many Wisconsinites whose lives were changed by her dedication through decades of service to this state, all of whom honor and pay tribute to her legacy.

**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 Friday, March 18, 2022, 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 fifteenth day of March in the year of two thousand twenty-two.

*Tony Evers*

TONY EVERS  
Governor

By the Governor:

*Douglas La Follette*  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State