



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER #285**

**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  
Barbara Bush, Former First Lady of the United States**

**WHEREAS**, on April 17, 2018, Barbara Bush, former First Lady of the United States, passed away at the age of 92; and

**WHEREAS**, Barbara Bush, wife of President George H.W. Bush, served as First Lady during her husband's presidency from 1989 to 1993, and was the mother of President George W. Bush; and

**WHEREAS**, Barbara Bush was a devoted and beloved First Lady who used her platform to champion literacy, launching the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy; and

**WHEREAS**, after her husband's presidency, Barbara Bush continued to be an active and influential figure in American life, raising over \$1 billion for literacy and cancer charities with her husband; and

**WHEREAS**, the people of the State of Wisconsin and the United States mourn the loss of former First Lady Barbara Bush;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, SCOTT WALKER**, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, 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 **Wednesday, April 18, 2018**, and ending at **sunset on the date of interment**.



By the Governor:

*Douglas La Follette*

**DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE**  
Secretary of State

**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 seventeenth day of April in the year two thousand eighteen.

*Scott Walker*  
**SCOTT WALKER**  
Governor