

# STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; the contributions and sacrifices made by the brave men and women of our nation, who have served and continue to serve at significant personal risk, are vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by the people of our nation; and

*WHEREAS*; the U.S. Congress established the Medal of Honor as a prestigious award reserved for those who distinguish themselves "conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life, above and beyond the call of duty;" and

*WHEREAS*; due to the nature of the criteria of the bestowment, the Medal of Honor is often awarded posthumously, and to ensure that only the "bravest of the brave" are awarded the Medal of Honor, the armed services established other medals to recognize courageous acts; and

*WHEREAS*; in Wisconsin, 61 citizens are recipients of the Medal of Honor and their names are engraved on the Medal of Honor monument on Interstate Highway 90 near Beloit; and

*WHEREAS*; the people of the State of Wisconsin are forever grateful to the brave service members from this state who are recipients of this prestigious honor; and

*WHEREAS*; pursuant to 2009 Wisconsin Act 144, the State of Wisconsin has designated March 25<sup>th</sup> of each year as Medal of Honor Day, to celebrate and honor those members of the U.S. armed forces who have been awarded the Medal of Honor;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim Friday, March 25, 2011 as

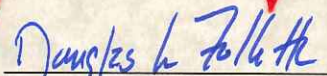
### MEDAL OF HONOR DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.

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 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2011.

  
SCOTT WALKER  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State

