

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER #251

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 State Senator Tim Cullen

WHEREAS, on December 23, 2024, former State Senator Tim Cullen passed away at the age of 80;

WHEREAS, born in Janesville, former State Senator Cullen served in the United States Army Reserve before being elected to the Janesville City Council in 1970, and later, served as the district director for United States Representative Les Aspin (D-Wisconsin);

WHEREAS, in 1974, former State Senator Cullen was elected to the Wisconsin State Senate, representing the 15th Senate District until 1987 and serving as majority leader for five of those years;

WHEREAS, former State Senator Cullen served as secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Health and Social Services from 1987 to 1988 and transitioned to the private sector later that year, beginning his work at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wisconsin;

WHEREAS, after retiring from a two-decade career as vice president of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wisconsin, former State Senator Cullen returned to public service, serving on the School District of Janesville Board of Education and later was reelected to his former State Senate seat in 2010, serving until 2015;

WHEREAS, former State Senator Cullen will be remembered for his advocacy for good governance, nonpartisan redistricting, and fighting for equal opportunities for kids;

WHEREAS, the people of Wisconsin join former State Senator Cullen's family, colleagues, and all those who knew him in extending their condolences and remembering his service to this state; and

WHEREAS, services for former State Senator Cullen will be held on Saturday, January 4, 2025, in Janesville, Wisconsin.

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 Saturday, January 4, 2025, 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 third day of January in the year of two thousand twenty-five.

TONY EVERS Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSK Secretary of State