



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER #312**

**Relating to Assisting the Wisconsin Elections Commission**

**WHEREAS**, on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, midterm general elections will occur throughout the United States, its states, and territories; and

**WHEREAS**, the preservation of democracy through a fair electoral process is a fundamental part of the American system of government, which is founded on the principle that the power to govern resides in the people; and

**WHEREAS**, every precaution must be taken to ensure the integrity of the election process throughout the State; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Elections Commission is a regulatory agency of the State of Wisconsin established to administer and enforce election laws in the state; and

**WHEREAS**, Article V, Section 4 of the Wisconsin Constitution establishes the governor as the Commander-in-Chief of the military and naval forces of the State and provides that he shall transact all necessary business with the officers of the military and shall take care that the laws be faithfully executed; and

**WHEREAS**, under Section 321.30 of the Wisconsin Statutes, the organized militia of this state shall be known as the "Wisconsin national guard";

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, SCOTT WALKER**, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, and specifically by Section 321.39(1)(a)1. of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

1. Authorize and direct the Adjutant General to call to state active duty such elements of the Wisconsin National Guard as the Adjutant General deems necessary to provide essential services to the Wisconsin Elections Commission; and
2. Authorize the Adjutant General to utilize personnel called to state active duty pursuant to this order in emergency status.
3. Direct all state agencies of the State of Wisconsin to assist in responding to this situation.

**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 second day of November in the year two thousand eighteen.



  
SCOTT WALKER  
Governor

By the Governor:

*Douglas La Follette*

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State