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MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers signed Executive Order #215 ordering the flags of the United States and the state of Wisconsin to be flown at half-staff on Sat., Oct. 28, 2023, in honor of former Wisconsin State Rep. John Klenke, who passed away on Tues., Oct. 10, 2023, at the age of 65.



"Representative Klenke is remembered for his conviction, generosity, and dedication to serving his community," said Gov. Evers. "In the wake of his passing, Kathy and I send our deepest condolences to his family, friends, and former colleagues during this difficult time."

Former Rep. Klenke was born and raised in Green Bay and graduated from the University of Wisconsin (UW)-Madison with a Bachelor of Arts in accounting and finance and UW-Milwaukee with a Master of Science in Taxation. He worked at Schneider National for over two decades, serving as the treasurer, vice president of corporate strategy, division president, and director of corporate tax. In 2010, Klenke was elected to the Wisconsin State Assembly to represent the 88th Assembly District. During his time in the Wisconsin State Assembly, Klenke served on the Joint Committee on Finance and as vice-chairperson of the Energy and Utilities Committee. He was re-elected in 2012 and did not seek re-election in 2014.

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Services for former Rep. Klenke will be held on Thurs., Oct. 26, 2023, with his burial subsequently occurring on Sat., Oct. 28, 2023.

Executive Order #215 will be in effect from sunrise to sunset on Oct. 28, 2023, and is available here

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