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MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers and First Lady Kathy Evers invite the public to contribute ornaments for this year's "Tribute to Our Troops" holiday tree at the Executive Residence.



"Kathy and I are glad to continue this important tradition of recognizing and honoring our nation's heroes during the holidays at the Executive Residence," Gov. Evers said. "There are many service members from Wisconsin who are fulfilling their duties and cannot make it home for the holidays and many families across the state who are missing or remembering their loved ones this season. The 'Tribute to Our Troops' tree is just one way we can honor our service members and veterans and their sacrifices to our state and country."

The Tribute to Our Troops Tree tradition began in 2005 and honors Wisconsin service members who have served or are currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. Ornaments can be sent in honor of Wisconsin service members past and present, in Wisconsin and abroad. The invitation is open to families of Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, and Coast Guard members. Ornaments can be plain, fancy, or personalized to honor fallen service members, those who are deployed overseas this holiday season, and all who wear the uniforms of the nation's armed forces.

To be included as part of this year's "Tribute to Our Troops" tree, ornaments must be received no later than Wednesday, November 29 at:

Wisconsin National Guard ATTN: SAPR Program Mr. Liam Walsh 1420 Wright Street, Room 105

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The ornaments will be displayed at the Executive Residence and will not be returned to senders. The ornaments and the "Tribute to Our Troops" tree can be viewed as part of the residence's holiday tours. As space is limited, individuals interested in a tour must pre-register to attend. More information is available on the Wisconsin Executive Residence website here . Residence tours will be available during the following dates and times:

- Tuesday, Dec. 5, 12 p.m.-2 p.m.
- Thursday, Dec. 7, 12 p.m.-2 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 9, 10 a.m.- 12 p.m.
- Tuesday, Dec. 12, 12 p.m.-2 p.m.
- Thursday, Dec. 14, 12 p.m.-2 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 16, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
- Tuesday, Dec. 19, 12 p.m.-2 p.m.