

EXECUTIVE ORDER #299

Relating to a Proclamation Declaring a State of Emergency in Response to a Natural Gas Explosion and Fire

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2018, a ruptured natural gas line in the City of Sun Prairie, located in Dane County, Wisconsin, caused a major explosion and subsequent fire that severely damaged downtown Sun Prairie and its infrastructure, amounting to a disaster; and

WHEREAS, the catastrophic event in Sun Prairie caused extensive damage and destruction to buildings, roads, and utilities, while also permanently displacing residents and closing businesses; and

WHEREAS, this disaster has affected the City of Sun Prairie and Dane County; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Emergency Management is closely monitoring the situation in conjunction with local, county, and State officials; and

WHEREAS, additional personnel and resources are needed to expedite the response and recovery of Sun Prairie;

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 sections 323.10 and 323.12 of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

- 1. Proclaim that a State of Emergency exists in the City of Sun Prairie and Dane County, Wisconsin.
- 2. Direct all State agencies of the State of Wisconsin to assist the City of Sun Prairie and Dane County, Wisconsin, in recovering from this disaster.

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 twentieth day of July in the year two thousand eighteen.

COTT WALKER Governor

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State